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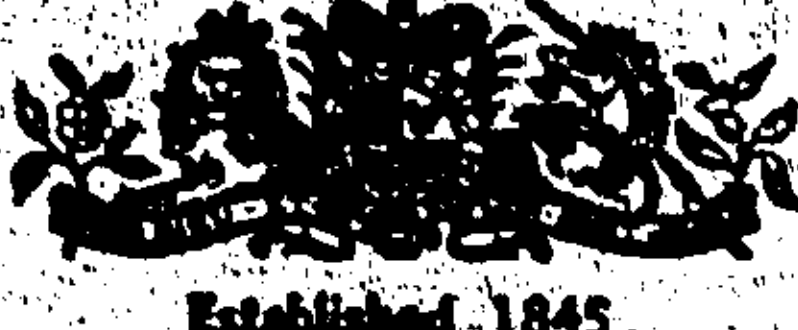
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THE world awaits with some curiosity and considerable interest the Afro-Asian conference which opens in Bandung next week. Much oratory, some of it inspired by sincere idealism, some a mere masquerade for political propaganda, is assured. But what the conference is likely to achieve defies pronouncement at this stage.

Mr. Nehru, it is predicted, will be the dominant figure at the discussions, yet it must not be forgotten that the formidable personality of Mr. Chou En-lai will also be present, and Mr. Chou is not likely to concede the limelight to the Indian Prime Minister however friendly they may be. The drama of the conference may well revolve around the struggle, cloaked behind soft phrases, between these two men for the leadership at Bandung.

THE Indian delegates are taking with them a statement of policy known as the Five Principles, which are: territorial sovereignty, integrity, non-aggression, non-interference and mutual respect. These are not original precepts for conditioning relations between states. But they can be given, and often have been given, widely differing interpretations. Thus what Mr. Chou means when he verbally subscribes to such principles may, and probably does, differ from what Mr. Nehru means when he extols the same virtues. The Indian Prime Minister believes in them as ideals which must be attained; the Chinese Premier, earthly and "realistic" is more likely to conceive them as useful political expedients, not forgetting, of course, their fine propaganda value.

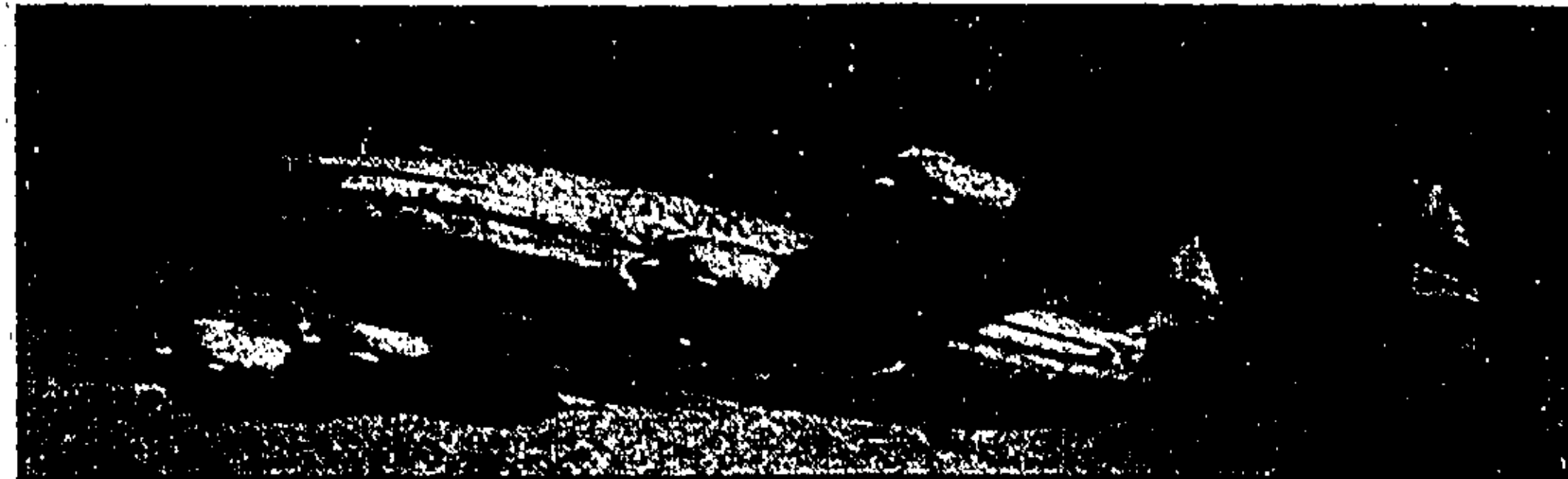
Between India's neutralism and Communist China's anti-West bombastics will come, it is to be hoped, some moderating and sensible contributions from other representatives who appreciate the unreality of the one and the untruthfulness of the other. Japan will be in a strong position to exert some useful influence on the thinking of the conference, and to help keep the discussions within the compass of practical and constructive ideas.

THE bitter subject of colonialism is certain to be given considerable airing. The Iraq delegation have already promised that, and they are assured of vociferous support from the Vietnamese representatives. But colonialism is so obviously on the way out as an instrument of political policy, that the countries at the Bandung conference which have already been freed from its yoke, can hardly give more than formal lip service to demands which some delegates may make for its total and immediate abolition.

Whatever outward facade is preserved, the conference is not likely to be smooth going. Several countries have already indicated they are attending with hard and fast determination about what they will and what they will not agree. Thailand has bluntly declared that anything proposed which is outside the framework of the United Nations Charter will forfeit her approval. Communist China, not being a member of UN, and therefore no subscriber to the Charter, can be expected to sneer at any such interpretation of the conference's functions.

The voices of the Afro-Asian nations are going to be heard, but it will come as no surprise if they sound like a tower of babel.

U.S. ACCUSED OF 'MURDER PLOT'



Hongkong 'Responsible' CHINA DEMANDS PUNISHMENT OF CHIANG, AMERICAN AGENTS

London, Apr. 12.

Communist China tonight accused United States agents of causing the crash of an Indian airliner in the South China Sea on Monday and said it held British authorities in Hongkong responsible.

Eight Chinese officials were aboard the plane en route to the Afro-Asian Conference in Bandung, Indonesia. The plane crashed on its way from Hongkong to Djakarta.

The New China News Agency quoting a Foreign Ministry statement described the crash as a "murder" plotted by American and Chinese Nationalist agents.

It demanded that British authorities in Hongkong make a thorough investigation, and "punish according to law the secret agents which took part in this plot."

The Ministry said the crash was "by no means a common aircraft accident, but is murder deliberately engineered by a secret agent organisation of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek."

The agency claimed that before the plane took off the Chinese Government learned there was a plot to sabotage it. Last Monday the matter was brought to the attention of the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking and he was asked to have the British authorities in Hongkong take counter measures.

"After enquiring and learning which air company owned the plane, the British Charge

d'Affaires promised to notify the British authorities in Hongkong by cable," it added.

"Nevertheless secret agent organisations of the United States and Chiang Kai-shek succeeded in the plot."

"The British authorities in Hongkong have a serious responsibility for the unfortunate incident," the agency declared. "We demand that the British Government and the British authorities in Hongkong conduct a thorough investigation into this incident and arrest and punish according to law the secret agents which took part in this sinister plot."

It said the object of the plot was "to murder members of the Chinese delegation headed by Premier Chou En-lai and sabotage the Asian-African conference."

The agency declared that the conference "cannot be obstruct-

ed or sabotaged" by the work of agents and that the result instead would be to strengthen "united action of the peoples of Asia, Africa and the whole world to win peace and freedom."

The plane, an Air India Constellation, carried eleven passengers and a crew of seven. It crashed about 100 miles north of Kuching, Sarawak. Six survivors have been picked up.

The agency identified the passengers as Shih Chih Ang, Li Chao Chi and Chung Pu Yun, staff members of the Chinese delegation; Shen Chien Tu, Hwang Tso Mei, Tu Hung Li, Wang and Ho Peng Ke, all correspondents; Vuong Minh Phumang, staff member of the North Vietnamese delegation to Bandung; and Ereni Staritz and Frederick Jensen. It said Staritz was a Polish correspondent and Jensen an Austrian.

SEARCH CONTINUES
Singapore, Apr. 13.
The British Naval Frigate Dampier recommenced her search at first light this morning for survivors of the Air India Constellation.

A naval spokesman confirmed Dampier had three survivors aboard: Captain M.C. Dixie, co-pilot, the Flight-Navigator J. C. Sarkis and ground engineer A.S. Karim travelling as a passenger. But there was no confirmation here early this morning of reports that three other survivors suffering from serious injuries had been picked up by another vessel.

A naval spokesman here said three survivors aboard the Dampier were all suffering from shock though their injuries were light.—Reuter.

India To Launch Investigation

New Delhi, Apr. 12.
The Indian Government published a communique today in which it expressed its sorrow for the accident which occurred when an Air India Constellation crashed into the sea off the coast of Borneo yesterday with 18 people aboard.

The communique said the government wished to express its profound sympathy to the parents of the crash victims and to the governments of the countries to which they belonged.

The communique said a committee would be set up to investigate the accident, which it said "occurred on the high seas." So far only three surviving crew members have been rescued.

Pictured above is a Constellation similar to the one that crashed

State Department Says: Outrageous Suggestion

Washington, Apr. 12.
A State Department spokesman said today the Chinese Communists were making "an outrageous suggestion" in accusing the United States and the Nationalists of responsibility for the crash of an Air India Constellation.

The spokesman in Washington said: "There is not the slightest foundation in the world for such an outrageous suggestion."

In London the British Foreign Office said tonight it was awaiting a full official report from Hongkong before commenting on the Chinese charge that anti-Communist agents sabotaged the airliner. Diplomatic observers ridiculed the charge that the crash was due to American agents working in Hongkong.—Reuter.

HK Govt Reveals Precautions At Kai Tak

The Government of Hongkong was informed over the weekend in a telegram from H.M. Charge d'Affaires at Peking that the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs had received information that trouble might be made by Chinese Nationalist sympathisers for a group of journalists leaving Hongkong for the Bandung Conference by an Air India International plane.

The Government was requested to take appropriate precautions.

It was added that the Chinese Ministry of Foreign Affairs believed that the New China News Agency in Hongkong would know where the journalists were staying and the time of their departure.

During the morning of Monday, April 11 a representative of the New China News Agency telephoned a senior Police officer to inform him that eleven journalists and a Vietnamese delegate would be travelling by an Air India aircraft leaving Hongkong early that afternoon.

This aircraft had been chartered on behalf of the party by the China Travel Service office in Hongkong.

NO MENTION

No mention was made by the New China News Agency report of any suspicion of trouble and the communication was made in a routine manner to which the Hongkong authorities are now well accustomed.

But in the light of the message from the British Charge d'Affaires in Peking, steps were taken to provide extra security measures.

The plane came in on a scheduled flight from India a few minutes after noon and was due to take off shortly after 1 p.m.

Additional Police precautions were taken to ensure that the party was not molested at the airport.

During the time the plane was here, it was under Police guard under the command of an Inspector and no unauthorised person was allowed, or attempted to approach or board it.

REMAINED ON BOARD

The Manager and other officials of Air India and crew members of the plane were present and supervised every aspect of refuelling and servicing.

A member of the crew remained on board throughout. The actual handling of the luggage and passengers was done under the supervision of China Travel Service and senior officials of Air India.

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DULLES' PLAN FOR FORMOSA SETTLEMENT

Washington, Apr. 12.

The Secretary of State, Mr. John Foster Dulles, under public pressure from Mr. Adlai Stevenson today lifted slightly the heavy curtain of secrecy surrounding American efforts to bring about a peaceful Formosan settlement.

He identified the proposals made last night by the former Democratic Presidential candidate as "the very approaches" which the United States government is "actively exploring."

The carefully-prepared statement which Mr. Dulles volunteered to his press conference gave a deeper international significance to the Formosan peace plan of Mr. Stevenson. In effect that plan provided for:

1. The United States, its allies, the "uncommitted states" and possibly the United Nations General Assembly to guarantee Formosa against attack pending some final settlement.
2. Nationalist China to abandon their reliance on the islands of Quemoy and Matsu on the grounds that the international guarantee would make them no longer essential for the defence of Formosa.
3. The United Nations to decide the permanent future of Formosa.

The Stevenson plan bears many similarities to proposals believed to have been put forward first by the British Government. These were discussed by Mr. Dulles with the Australian Prime Minister, Mr. Robert Menzies, during his recent visit to Washington.

Mr. Dulles did not take issue with any of Mr. Stevenson's suggestions and publicly accepted them as worthy of active exploration.

He gave some support to the idea of a joint guarantee on Formosa in a guarded reference to the fact that the United States was seeking "more free world support" for the defence of Formosa.

He acknowledged that Quemoy and Matsu might not be indispensable.

He reiterated the United States desire for a "United Nations ceasefire" and a peaceful settlement rather than a war-like settlement.—Reuter.

Lightning Bolt Hits Crowded Church

Five Dead; 50 Injured

Rome, Apr. 12.

A lightning bolt crashed into a crowd of 5,000 Italians at a Catholic shrine near Avellino today. Five people were killed and at least 50 were injured.

The pilgrims were worshipping at the Shrine of the Crowned Virgin in the little mountain village of Montoro Superiore and about 60 miles inland from Naples. They came from more than a dozen surrounding villages for an annual Easter ceremony.

Eye-witnesses said lightning struck the bell tower of the shrine, ripped downward into the church's nave and crashed through the crowd.

There was a moment of awe-struck silence, and then panic. Men, women and children rushed for the door, pushing and trampling each other in their fright.

A large crowd outside the church added to the confusion. The victims included two 13-year-old boys, a boy and a girl of 17 and a 23-year-old man.

At least 50 people suffered lightning burns or were injured in the scramble.—United Press.

MASS ARRESTS IN EAST GERMANY Round-up Of 521 Agents

Berlin, Apr. 12.

East Germany tonight announced 521 recent arrests of alleged agents working for Britain and America and threatened measures which would have "undesirable consequences" for West Berliners.

Espionage centres had considerably increased their activities since ratification of the Paris treaties to reform West Germany, the Government said in a declaration published by the East German News Agency ADN.

These activities were doing "severe damage to the population and cannot remain unanswered," it said. "They endanger the

security of the (East) German Democratic Republic."

East Germany's declaration said the State Security police had recently smashed a large number of espionage and terror groups.—Reuter.

Frequent similar demands have been made by the Soviet authorities in past years, but Western allied authorities have insisted that the anti-Communist groups confine themselves to propaganda activities.

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Eight Killed In Fire

New York, Apr. 12.

At least eight people were burned to death today when flames destroyed a three-story business-apartment building in Saratoga Springs.

Seven victims were members of one family. They were Gilbert James, 42, his wife Madeline, and their five children—three boys and two girls—ranging in age from five to 16 years.

One other body also was found in the ruins, firemen said. It was not immediately identified.—United Press.

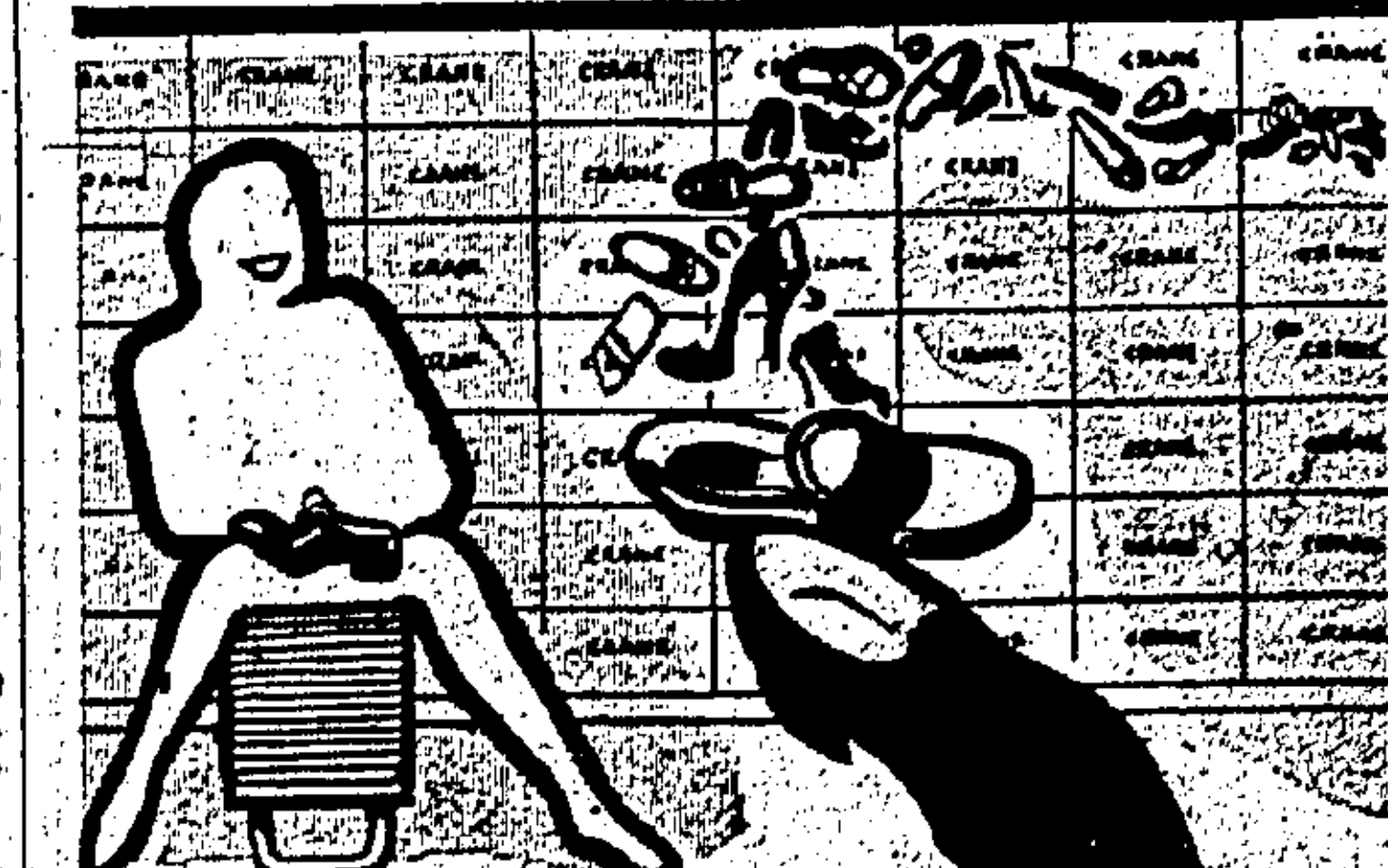
LYNCHED FOR WITCHCRAFT

Paris, Apr. 12.

Two farmers accused of witchcraft were hanged by peasants on June 10, 1954, in a small village near Querey, Mexico.

The hanging was only known a week later when about 30 persons considered as responsible for it were brought under strong escort to Querey gaol.

Two brothers, Alfredo and Martin Sanchez, who were running a farm near Querey and against whom existed certain grudges, were publicly accused of "casting spells." Excited peasants decided to try them then and there and sentenced the two brothers to death. They were hanged immediately on trees in the public square.—France Press.



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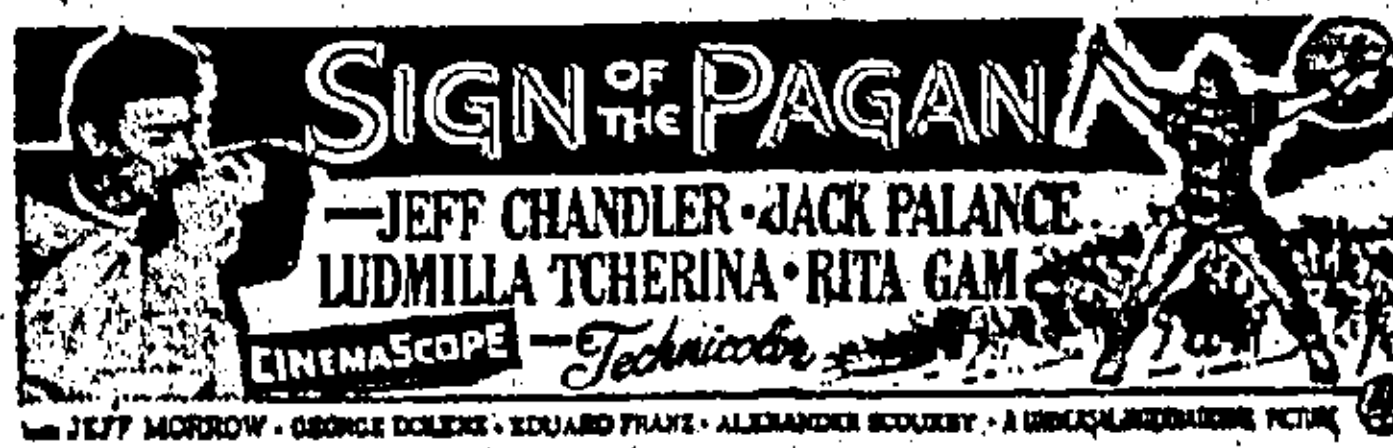
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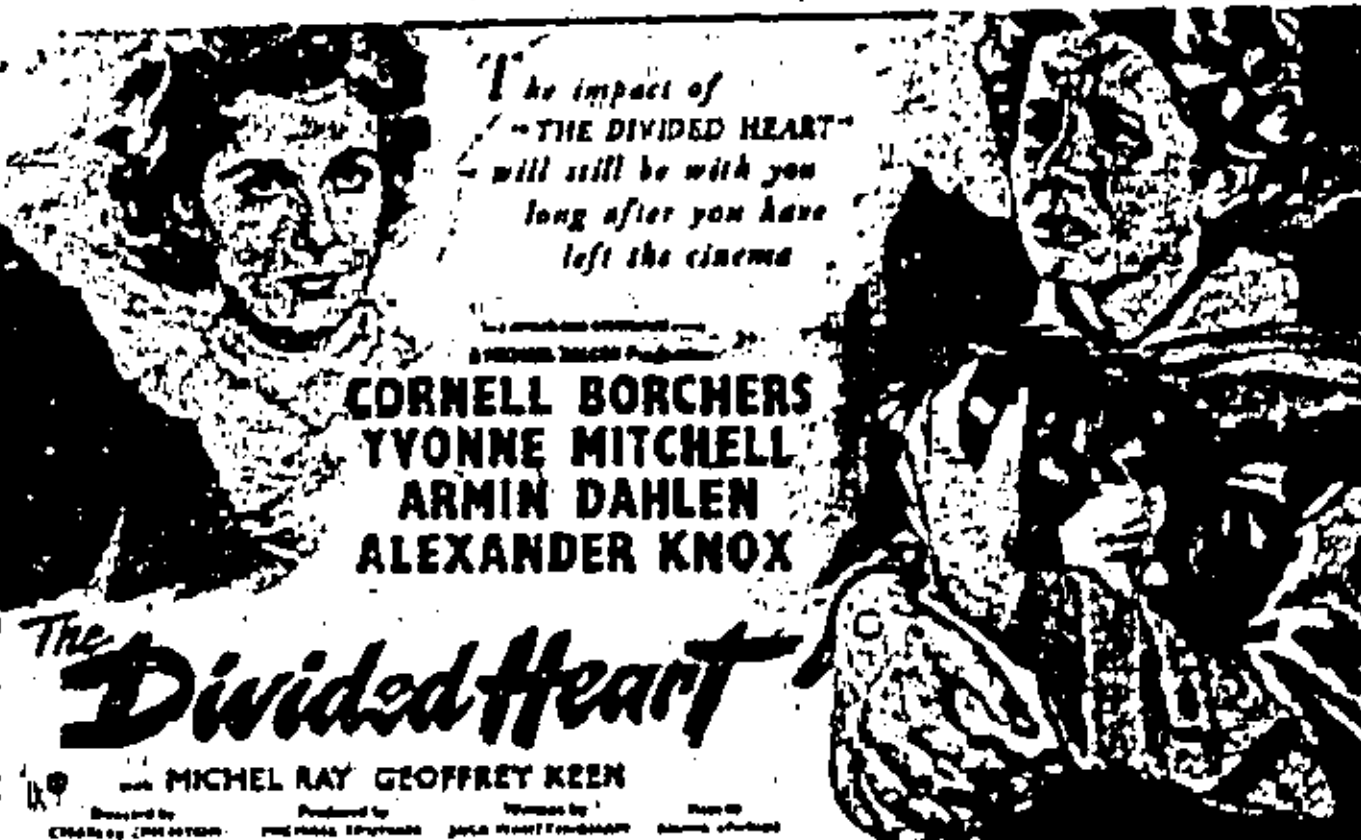
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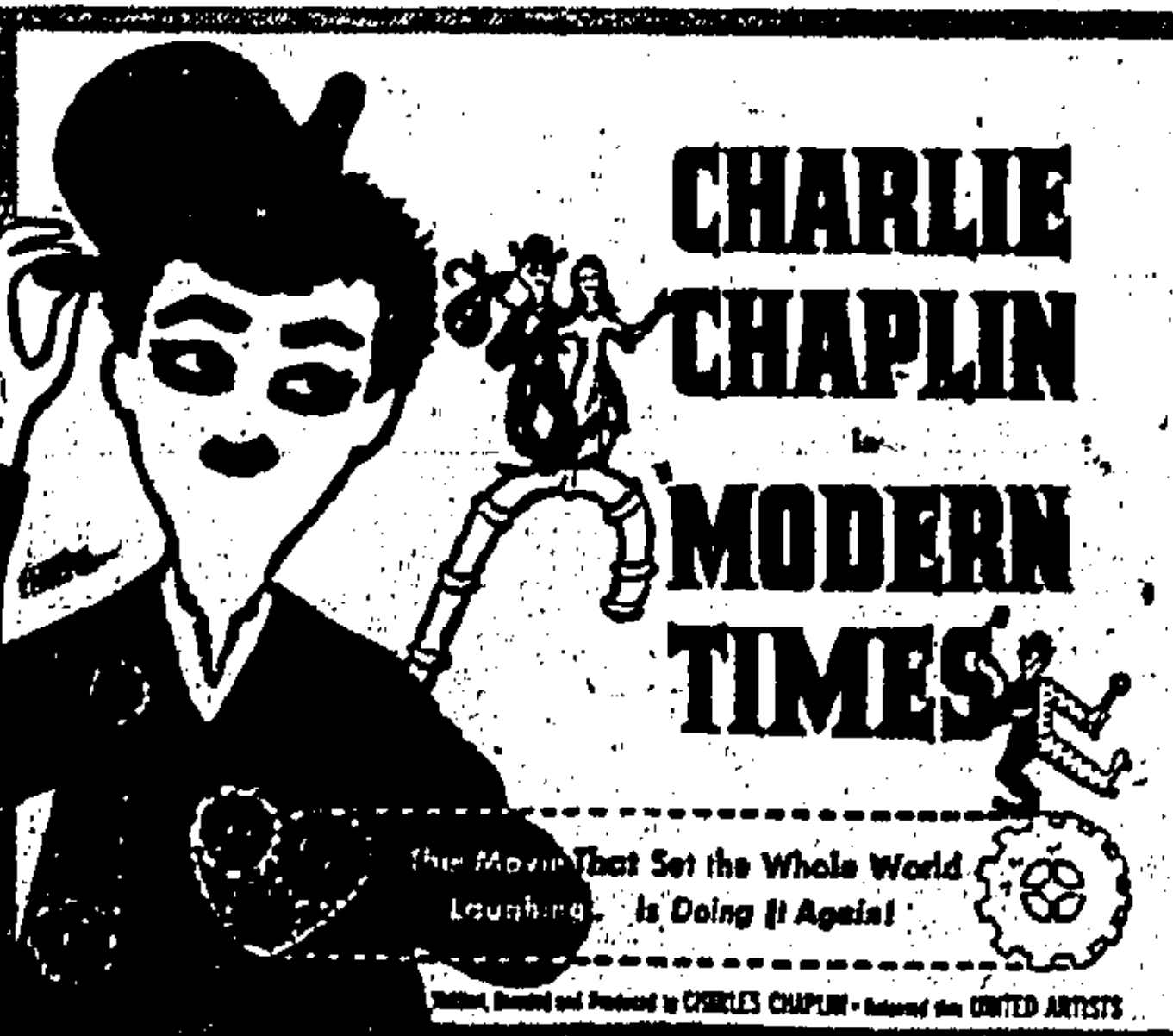
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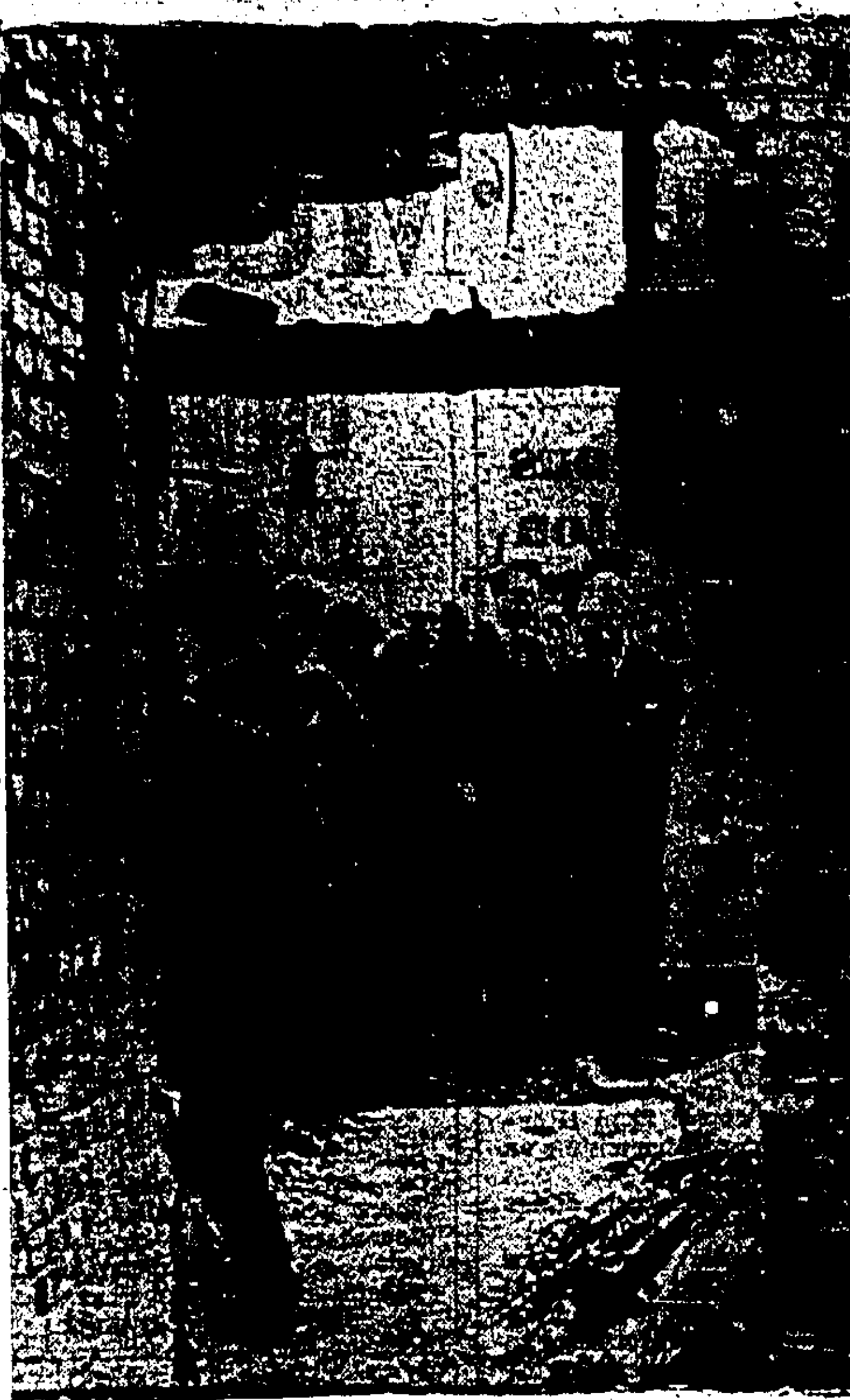
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39 Killed In Cinema Blaze



King Baudouin of Belgium (tallest in centre) is seen here inspecting the ruins of a cinema in Schlessen near Liege, Belgium. Thirty-nine people, including 18 children, were killed when a disastrous fire swept through the cinema. Scores more were injured in one of Belgium's worst peace-time tragedies. —Express Photo.

CONSTITUTIONAL CRISIS

Pakistan Cabinet Postpones Action

Karachi, Apr. 12.

The Pakistan Cabinet after a two and a quarter hours emergency meeting tonight decided to postpone action to meet the new legal and constitutional crisis in the country.

Earlier in the day the Federal Court ruled that the Governor-General, Mr Ghulam Mohammed, had no authority to validate laws of the Constituent Assembly under emergency powers assumed by him on March 27.

These laws had previously been held invalid because they did not carry the Governor-General's signature.

Before the Cabinet meeting, a Government spokesman said that the Governor-General would issue an ordinance tonight to prevent a breakdown of governmental machinery resulting from this ruling.

CAREFUL STUDY

But after the meeting it was authoritatively stated that the Government did not intend to take any precipitate action and a final decision would be made only after the situation had been "fully and carefully considered" by the whole Cabinet.

Another Cabinet meeting has been called for tomorrow.

5 Executed In Hungary

Paris, Apr. 12.

Radio Budapest announced tonight that five persons have been executed after being found guilty by a Budapest Tribunal of "conspiring to restore" the old feudal capitalist system in Hungary.

The broadcast said that another 10 people were given prison sentences ranging from nine to 14 years for complicity.

The ring leader of the movement was Joseph Viola, a former Member of Parliament who, Radio Budapest claimed, was preparing to declare himself the Regent and form a new government.

The convicted men were all said to have confessed to their crimes which included being in touch with the U.S. possessing arms and munitions, and possession of thousands of tracts for inducing the peasants to revolt. —France-Press.

Attack On Germany Would Prove "Very Costly"

Bonn, Apr. 12.

Any attack launched now against West Germany would prove very costly for the aggressor, Lt-General Anthony McAuliffe, Commander-in-Chief of American Forces in Germany, declared here today.

There is no comparison, said Gen. McAuliffe, speaking to a luncheon of foreign newsmen, between the single police brigade scattered along West Germany's eastern border and capable only of withdrawing to defend the left bank of the Rhine in 1950, and current American ground forces.

New, he said, there are four infantry divisions and one armoured division, three motorised cavalry regiments and an armoured group including three battalions of medium-powered tanks, and anti-aircraft brigade, and several battalions of reinforcement artillery. All units have their own combat forces.

PREDICTION

By the end of 1955, there will be two more infantry divisions, two armoured divisions, and an airborne division, Gen. McAuliffe predicted.

The present American strength would not, however, be enough to defend West Germany against a wide-spread attack, the General continued, but it is enough to defend every inch of land now occupied.

And he added, North Atlantic Treaty Organisation (NATO) forces has said that NATO

strength has increased to three or four times what it was four years ago.

American strategy, he said, calls for a defence of West Germany and the Far East as



GEN. A. McAULIFFE

though the mobility of modern warfare does not permit a fixed line of defence. Ideally, in an atomic war, the most effective kind of unit would be an airborne division which could be dropped on rough terrain, said the General. —France-Press.

No Invitation To Iran

Tehran, Apr. 12.

The Acting Premier, Mr Abdollah Entezam, today denied reports that Iran had been invited to join the Turco-Pakistani pact.

He said that the question had not yet been studied by the Iranian Government. Mr Entezam said that statements by Prime Minister, Mr Hussein Ala, to the Press in Beirut had been misunderstood as the Premier had not said Iran had been invited to join the pact. —United Press.

Shakespeare Into Arabic

Cairo, Apr. 12.

Egypt's Premier, Mr Gamal Abdel Nasser, has asked Doctor Tahar Hussein, leading Egyptian blind scholar, to supervise the translation of foreign classics into Arabic.

Sorbonne-graduate Tahar Hussein said recently it was his ambition to edit a really good Arabic translation of the complete works of Shakespeare.

About 250,000 have been allocated for the setting up of a special permanent council which will translate English, French and German masterpieces in literature into Arabic. —China Mail Special.

TV Strip Tease Criticised

Tokyo, Apr. 12.

The Japanese Education Ministry said today it had opened investigations on the controversial strip tease show broadcast by the newly inaugurated Radio Tokyo television station.

The show evoked bitter criticism from women's groups and educationists. The Ministry advised television stations to select better programmes.

Radio Tokyo television station which opened on April 1 televised last week a strip tease show starring dancers from a leading Tokyo music hall.

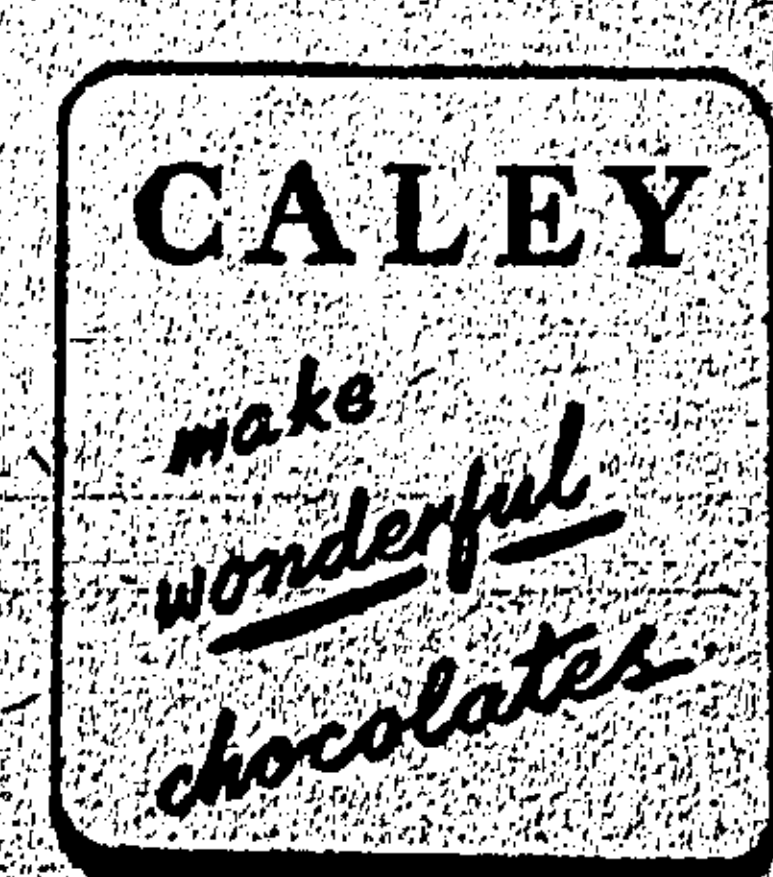
The show was said to have broken a taboo against "strip tease shows" on television. —China Mail Special.

Syracuse, Apr. 12.

Mrs Clare Boothe Luce, the American Ambassador in Rome, will spend three days in the same hotel at Syracuse as Sir Winston Churchill later this week.

The Director of the Hotel said that a suite had been booked for her for three days from April 14. —China Mail Special.

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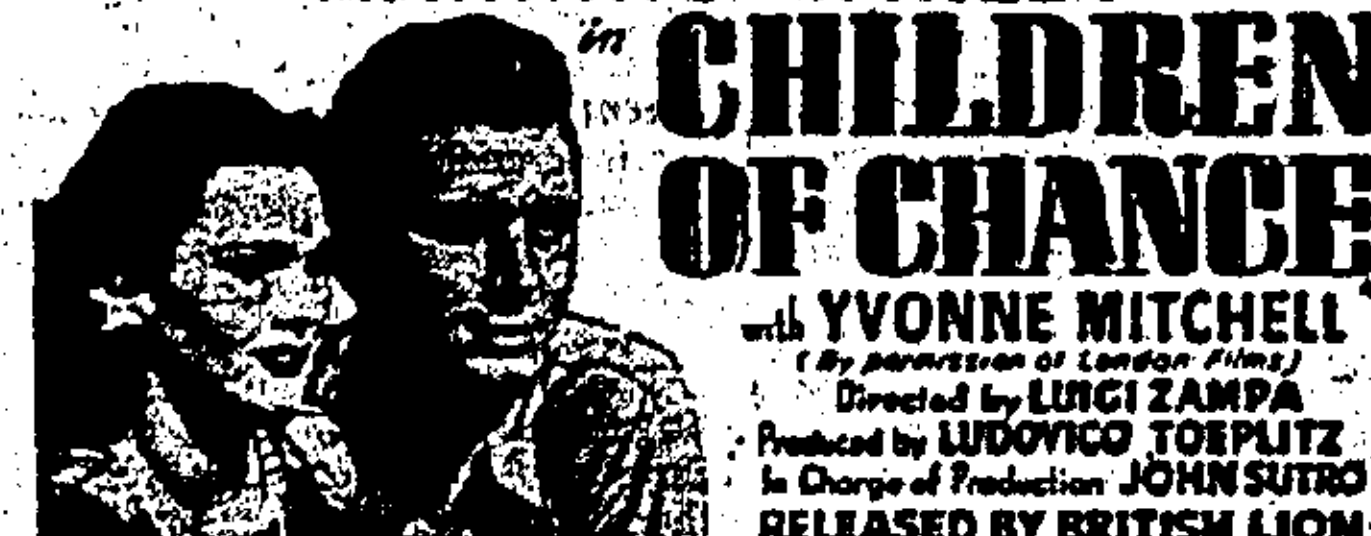
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DANGERS FACING FEMALE IMMIGRANTS

London, Apr. 12. The Chairman of a London Juvenile Court today asked that immigration officials attend a hearing in a fortnight's time so that they could learn of the "frightful dangers" facing girl immigrants from Jamaica.

The Chairman, Mr. Hugh Parsons, was referring to the case of a 16-year-old Jamaican said to have gone to live with a man immediately she arrived in London a month ago. Her name, as a juvenile, was not revealed.

"I am dissatisfied with what is happening as far as the immigration of these girls is concerned," he said. "Clearly it is open to the most frightful dangers and I can see serious repercussions."

A policeman told the court today that she had gone with the girl's stepfather to a house in North London and found the girl living with a number of men. The girl refused to leave saying that her father himself lived in one room with four other men.

TOOK HER AWAY
The stepfather said that a man he knew met the girl and her cousin at the London railway terminus on their arrival and took her "straight away" to a London house. The cousin came to live with him.

He admitted that other men did live in the same room, but his daughter could have had a separate room upstairs.

The girl said her mother sent her to England because she thought "I might make some money."

On arrival she had told Customs officials she was going to be a nurse and this was accepted.

Mr. Parsons, finding the girl in need of care and protection, remanded her for a medical report. He commented: "I have never heard anything like it."

—China Mail Special.

At Bandung INVITED TO TALKS AS AN 'OFFICIAL VISITOR'

Nicosia, Apr. 12. Archbishop Makarios, leader of the Enosis (union with Greece) campaign, will fly to Indonesia tomorrow (Wednesday) to attend the Afro-Asian conference in Bandung as an "official visitor," it was announced today.

A statement issued by Archbishop Makarios said he would establish contacts with various delegations and conduct a campaign in connection with the Cyprus question.

In New Delhi the Deputy Prime Minister and Foreign Minister of Afghanistan, Sardar Mohammad Naim Khan, said today his country would not raise its dispute with Pakistan over the tribal areas on the Northwest Frontier at the conference.

ON WAY
Sardar Mohammad Naim Khan was talking to reporters on his arrival here for a three-day visit to India on his way to Bandung.

The dispute of whether the border tribal areas should be

Pakistan And India Solve Border Problems

Karachi, Apr. 12. The Pakistani Government today announced an agreement with India on communication and frontier problems between the two countries. All railroads will be reopened to traffic in the next two months.

The through train from Lahore to Calcutta will start again as soon as possible and goods traffic will now be able to cross the frontiers which had been closed to railways since the formation of the two separate countries in 1947.

Agreement has also been reached on the establishment of check posts and authorized routes for passing the border. This, it was thought, will eliminate the unofficial passing from India to Pakistan and the contrary by refugees from the respective countries. —France-Press.

incorporated into West Pakistan or made into a separate state called Pushtunistan recently led to riots outside the Pakistan Embassy at Kabul, Afghanistan, when tribesmen tried to tear down the Pakistan flag.

Sardar Mohammad Naim Khan also said Afghanistan would support the five principles of co-existence set out by Mr. Jawaharlal Nehru, the Indian Premier, and Mr. Chou En-lai, the Chinese Communist Premier. The principles were: Recognition of independence and integrity, non-aggression, equality and mutual respect, non-interference, and peaceful co-existence.

A seven-man Iraq delegation led by former Premier Mohammed Fadhil Jamali arrived at Bandung for the conference.

Jamali, who is the first of 21 delegation leaders to arrive, told Reuters that he came with "an open mind" and would spend his time before the conference studying the situation and other countries' proposals before formulating his own.

He said he hoped the conference would help to "fortify" the United Nations.

Asked if this meant he hoped for inclusion in the United Nations of such Afro-Asian countries as Ceylon and China, which are not presently members, Jamali said Iraq had always held that all countries should be admitted except those that were proven aggressors.

Jamali, who arrived by road from Djakarta, said he "hoped" he meant he hoped the conference would prove a positive moral force in strengthening the United Nations on issues over which it had been "shy or weak."

He gave as an instance North Africa, where the United Nations had been shy to take decisions and said it had been weak in failing to implement decisions condemning Zionism in Palestine and South Africa's over racial discrimination.

GOOD EXAMPLE
Jamali said Indonesia by holding the conference had proved a good example to those countries already liberated and those awaiting independence.

Indonesia as a country liberated since the war in one which has benefited from United Nations influence, he added.

Rita Refuses To Report For Work

Hollywood, Apr. 12. COLUMBIA Studios suspended film star Rita Hayworth today for refusal to report for work as scheduled yesterday in a new movie.

The red-haired star last Friday filed suit to cancel her contract with the studio because it had failed to start work on the film "Joseph and his Brethren" as originally planned, on March 8.

The studio's belated move was interpreted by a spokesman as barring her from working for anyone else until she finishes her contract at Columbia, which calls for her to make two pictures.

The studio said it had notified United Artists Corp., with which Miss Hayworth has an agreement which goes into effect after she makes two Columbia pictures, that she could not work for them until the disagreement with Columbia was settled.

Columbia charged Miss Hayworth had "No grounds or legal justification for her attempted termination of her employment contract." The studio has not yet filed its answer to her suit.

The actress was fearful that the late start on her film would prevent her from taking her daughter Yvonne to France in June to visit the child's grandfather, the Aga Khan. —United Press.

German Lufthansa Back In Service



RACIAL BARS IN SOUTHERN STATE SCHOOLS

Washington, Apr. 12. Mr. Thurgood Marshall, chief lawyer for Negro groups, told the Supreme Court today he has "no doubt whatsoever" the South would obey an order to integrate public schools immediately. The Negro attorney challenged the claim of Virginia and South Carolina that a great deal of time is needed to end segregation.

Four Man Mau Recaptured

Nairobi, Apr. 12. Four of 19 Mau Mau detainees, who escaped from Manyani Camp between here and Mombasa on Sunday, have been recaptured, police announced today.

Police believe the remaining 15 men have split up into small parties and think they know the area of wild country in which they are hiding.

Fifteen more terrorists have surrendered in the past 24 hours, it was officially announced. —Reuters.

Big 3 Foreign Ministers Meet In May

London, Apr. 12. The Western Big Three Foreign Ministers will probably meet about the second week of May at the North Atlantic Treaty Organisation Council meeting in Paris, informed sources said here today.

These sources said the definite date of the Council meeting probably will not be set until Denmark and the Netherlands finish ratifying the Paris agreements and the instruments of ratification are deposited in the various capitals concerned. —France-Press.

QUEEN WILL TAKE SALUTE

London, Apr. 12. The Queen will take the salute from the balcony of Buckingham Palace, London, on Thursday, June 9, at a Royal Air Force flypast to mark her official birthday.

Earlier she will attend the traditional trooping of the colour on the nearby Horse Guards parade. —China Mail Special.

Dogs Out-Sniffed By Man

Paris, Apr. 12. IN its latest issue, the weekly Stern, published in Hamburg, showed a photograph of a man on all fours, sniffing the ground "behind a fence" under the eyes of a policeman.

The caption said the man on the picture, was more efficient than police dogs for tracking a criminal. He is not a phenomenon, half-man

and half-beast, but a normal individual. The man was transported to no time into a world full of odors, thanks to a secret mask invented by Dr. H. Wettersman, a German biologist.

The latter, according to the weekly, succeeded in leading from the leading of dogs a substance which is the

For the first time since before the war, the German Lufthansa Civil Airline is back into service. The Bundes Minister of Transport held an inaugural address when the first aircraft took off from Hamburg for the first inland flight of the airline. At a later date the airline is to operate a trans-Atlantic service as in previous times. British pilots are in charge of each aircraft at the moment. Picture shows: General view during the inaugural service at Hamburg showing the Bundes Minister of Transport Seeborn (at microphone) with beside him, Chairman of the Lufthansa, Dr. Weigel. —Express Photo.

Mass Anti-Polio Vaccination EUROPEAN COUNTRIES WILL GO AHEAD

London, Apr. 12. To medical authorities in many European countries today's official report of the success of the Salk polio vaccine in America was the signal to go ahead with mass vaccination plans.

France intends to mass produce her own version of the vaccine. Denmark already has enough in cold storage to start the inoculation of 400,000 children. Norway and Sweden had placed big advance orders in the United States.

CAUTIOUS
In London, public health officials greeted the announcement of the effectiveness of the vaccine with caution.

But Dr. W. Ritchie Russell, well-known British neurologist and an expert on polio, said that "the whole civilized world has been waiting for this news. Those working on the vaccine in Britain will be greatly encouraged by the report."

He added that anti-polio vaccine tests were being planned here for this summer but "only a few hundred children would probably be involved." —Reuters.

US Interested In Sumatra Says Tass

London, Apr. 12. The United States was displaying unusual interest in southern Sumatra, Tass, the Soviet news agency, said in a dispatch from its correspondent in Djakarta.

During the last few days American military and air attaches had visited various oil producing areas, the agency said. American oil interests were now controlling the production of high quality petrol which was being supplied to the American Air Force, the message said. —Reuters.

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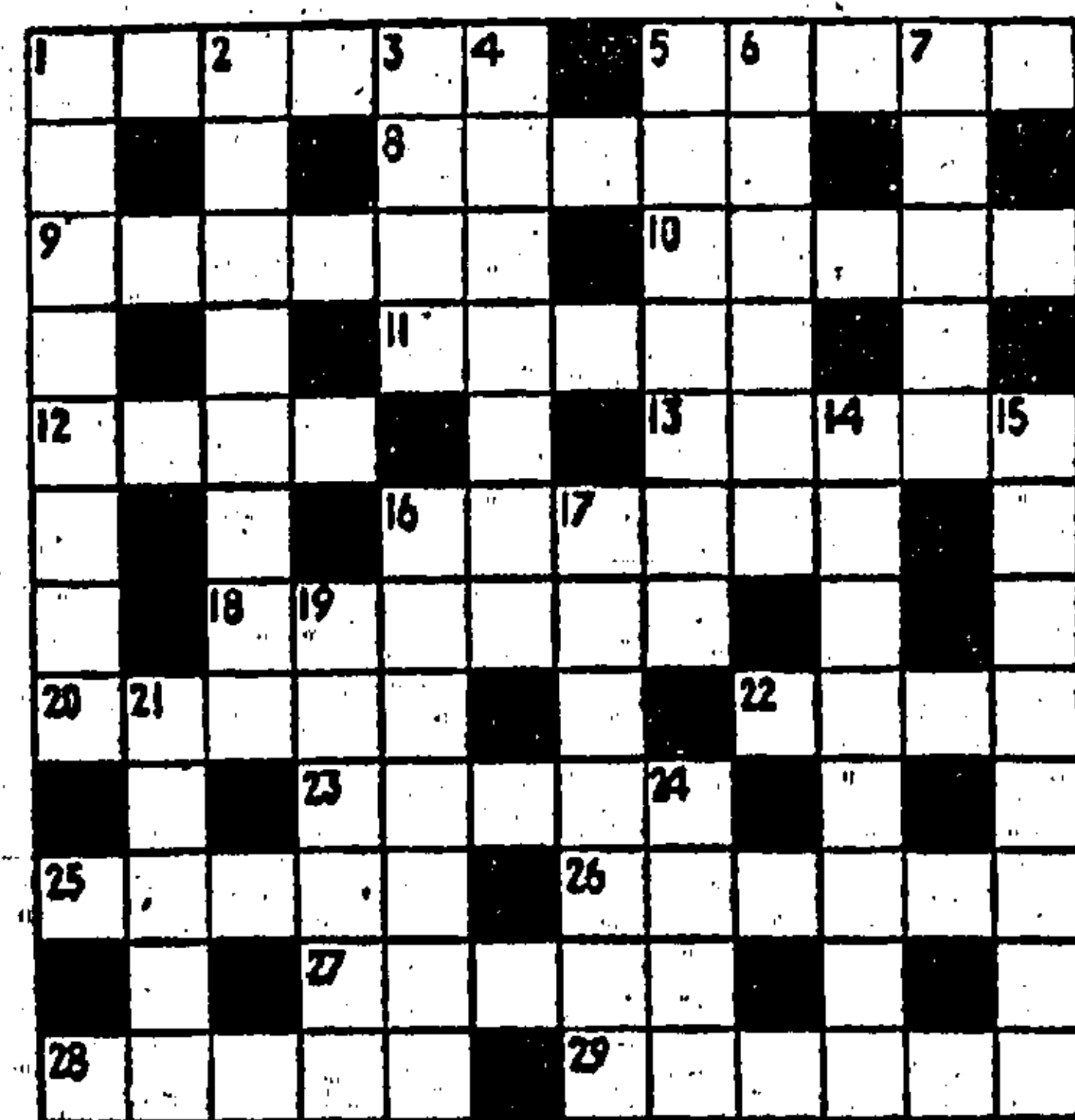
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A British Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
1. Tumult (8)
 5. Indecision (5)
 8. Measuring apparatus (5)
 9. Rebound (6)
 10. Boundary (5)
 11. Challenges (5)
 12. Change direction (4)
 13. Proposal of health (5)
 14. Take ill (6)
 15. Does business (6)
 16. Mount (5)
 20. Heap (4)
 22. Ancestress (5)
 23. Brown pigment (5)
 25. Vigorous (6)
 27. Harden (5)
 28. Condition (5)
 29. Protect (6)

- DOWN**
1. Straightens out (8)
 2. Fashion anew (8)
 3. Among (4)
 4. Told (7)
 5. Expunges (7)
 6. Prayer (6)
 7. Eistasy (5)
 14. Pose (8)
 15. Specially gifted (8)
 16. Emb (7)
 17. Cut apart (7)
 18. Oppose (6)
 21. Entertain (5)
 24. Solitary (4)

YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD—Across: 3 Spot, 7 Tally, 8 Exit, 9 Koen, 10 Fungus, 12 Dial, 15 Aroch, 18 Gnat, 19 Daisy, 21 Lovers, 22 Ribs, 23 Elite, 26 Duds, 28 Upstart, 30 Ears, 31 Tear, 32 Remit, 33 Fudge, Down: 1 Vogue, 2 Elegant, 4 Poets, 5 Tend, 6 Diva, 9 Knot, 11 Brash, 13 Iris, 14 Lays, 16 Edits, 17 Glad, 18 Gold, 20 Abetted, 22 Rips, 24 Lured, 25 Frail, 27 Uces, 28 Serf.

HE DEBUNKS THAT GODIVA RIDE

By J. W. TAYLOR

MR John B. Shelton is City Chamberlain of Coventry, and he has started one of the fiercest controversies the city has known for some time. He says his researches have led him to believe that Lady Godiva never made her famous ride on horseback in the wherewithal at all.

After Coventry basking 900 years in the literary warmth of the Godiva legend, this Shelton broadside has really set the citizens seething. Had they not recently by public vote, caused the city's new residential hotel—the first to be built in Britain since the war—to be named Hotel Leofric after the beloved Godiva's husband? Coventry without the Godiva legend is dead. Why, the city would be bereft, not to say denuded, at such a calamity!

To allow the Shelton bombshell to slumber a little, it would be as well to insert here a historical note. In his "Curiosities of Literature," Disraeli wrote about the Godiva ride: "This anecdote some have suspected to be fictitious from its extreme barbarity, but the character of the Middle Ages will admit of any kind of wanton barbarism."

City Chamberlain Shelton is no mere sensation-monger, but an expert whose views must command attention. For more than 40 years he has probed the city's history, delving deep into numerous books and ancient documents, and sometimes digging with a spade wherever a historical discovery might be made.

IN NOTTINGHAM

And after long and thoughtful attention to the equestrian journey, which has for so long provided to Coventry with a symbol and a legend known throughout the civilised world, the City Chamberlain concludes: "I do not believe that Lady Godiva did ride naked through our streets, or at all."

Mr Shelton does not leave it at that, but states that his researches show that at the time the Danes destroyed Coventry in 1016, Lady Godiva was living in Nottingham and directing the building of the fortifications there. He deems the lady to have then been 26 years of age. Therefore, it being an established fact that she did not go to Coventry till 1042, Mr

Shelton points out that by that time she would have been well over 50 and most unlikely to make the nymph-like appearance on the famous ride attributed to her.

Nor is this all, for there is a further Shelton tilt at the legend. He doesn't believe that Godiva's husband, Leofric, was as bad a man as some people have made him out to be. The evidence available suggests that he was, in fact, a good husband.

"That being so," says Mr Shelton, "I do not believe that a man like Leofric would require his wife to perform the act subscribed to her."

Mr Shelton suggests that the most probable explanation of the legend is the ancient custom of riding round the fields on Rogation Day.

Lady Godiva, however, is not without her equally formidable deed. Why, the city would be bereft, not to say denuded, at such a calamity!

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£100 CHALLENGE

In his view: "Godiva rides on and on in the hearts of all true Coventrians..."

Far from being apologetic for his Godiva verdict, Mr Shelton rounds off his findings with a £100 challenge in regard to another important part of Coventry's ancient history about which he has long since harboured considerable scepticism. For ages it has been thought that there was a tunnel leading from Coventry to Kenilworth. The City Chamberlain thinks its existence most unlikely. In fact he has offered £100 to anyone who can show him the tunnel.

Now Mr F. E. Player, of Mount Street, Coventry, has stepped into the affray with a bold offer to show Mr Shelton the tunnel and to collect the £100. He claims that it was bricked up by the owner of the Manor about 50 years ago because he was afraid his children would get lost in it.

It is for the City Chamberlain to debunk this. Meanwhile, loyal Godiva fans have gone into a huddle with a view to organising comprehensive research to prove that there is something in the ride that Godiva made with nothing on.



NOW ON TO THE NEXT

STASSEN—THE MAN WITH A DREAM

By Les Armour

TWENTY years ago, the youthful, boyish-faced Attorney for Dakota, Minnesota, stepped out his office one morning to find a throng of armed and angry farmers demanding his life.

The young man spoke quietly and precisely. "Go home," he said. "I'll do what I can for you."

They went.

Most of the farmers probably couldn't have explained why they wanted Harold Stassen's life. Still less could they explain why they went home quietly. Except that Harold Stassen isn't the kind of man you can meet face to face and stay angry with for long.

Today Stassen faces a situation alarmingly like his encounter with the lynch mob in Dakota County.

As the world's first "Minister for Disarmament," his job is, at root, to make the world's statesmen go home quietly and think things over.



Harold Stassen is a man with a dream: long-acknowledged leader of the internationalist wing of the American Republican Party, one of the men who wrote the United Nations Charter, and for the last two years administrator of the U.S. foreign aid programme, he has long believed that the world is too hot a place for national pride. Now he has been appointed Special Assistant to President Eisenhower in charge of disarmament—a cabinet post which makes him the world's first "Peace Minister." The appointment has been greeted with surprise and not a little cynicism. But here is the story of a man who COULD make it work!!!

father fell ill. Two years later he had made enough money to keep the family going while he moved on to the University of Minnesota.

There, he worked as a greasemaker at a bakery, a grocery clerk and a Pullman car conductor to keep himself alive while he studied.

GOVERNOR

In between, he found time to organise a Republican group on the campus, and at 23 he was elected County Attorney for Dakota County.

He declared war on vice, virtually eliminated graft and stamped out prostitution.

At 31, he ran for the Governorship of Minnesota. Old-hand politicians in the Democratic ranks laughed. Nobody had ever been Governor of a U.S. State at 31.

But Stassen won by the largest majority ever recorded in the State—290,000.

During the campaign, he insisted on keeping his speeches down to 20 minutes and on shaking the hand of every voter who turned up at his meetings. He proclaimed few startling policies; he promised only honesty. The voters liked it.

In 1940—still only 33—he was floor manager for Wendell Wilkie at the Republican convention. Minnesota politicians wanted him to try for the Presidential nomination himself.

He left school at 14 to take over the family farm when his

But Stassen reasoned that a "boy wonder" President wasn't likely to appeal to the public at a time of national crisis.

But Wilkie, during the campaign, promised: "What I start, Harold will complete."

As it happened, Wilkie didn't get elected—and there was something else to complete after Pearl Harbour.

Stassen resigned his Governorship and joined the Navy. He became Assistant Chief of Naval Staff, collected a chestful of medals (mostly for action in the Pacific near the Philippines)—and disappeared from the political world.

CONVICTION

When he came back, it was with a new idea, the conviction that "national sovereignty can no longer serve world interests." But he came back, too, to a new situation where his earlier political promise had been dimmed by years in which other men with other ideas had been rising in the Republican Party.

In 1948, he lost the nomination to Dewey, and became President of the University of Pennsylvania instead of President of the United States.

But he did not abandon political thought. His experience as a member of the U.S. delegation to the San Francisco Conference at which the U.N. Charter was drawn up had convinced him that the U.N. could

be made to work if it could be given teeth. His days as a top military policy-maker had convinced him that the atomic bomb demanded a complete "re-think" of world policy.

Out of the two came a plan to turn over complete control of atomic weapons to a United Nations world police force. The plan was not so wildly idealistic as it sounded.

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Shropshire Lad

ONE of the many bees that buzz in my bonnet is the conviction that people would be much happier and healthier, if they knew less about what's going on in the world.

In those days only the United States could make the bomb. Had it been turned over to a U.N. with powers to act, and had the United States genuinely turned over the machinery for making it to U.N. and scrapped its own plants, the mere possession of the weapon would have made it possible for the U.N. to prevent anyone else manufacturing it.

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HONESTY

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He looks at people with a gaze of frank appraisal which suggests a man very sure of himself, but not quite sure of anyone else.

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Nathaniel Gubbins

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When will life begin for Gubbins? Can he look forward to Mr Butler's 1980? Although he has no intention of revealing his great age, he can tell you that he fought without distinction at the Battle of Waterloo. He was hiding under Wellington's horse and fought his way to the rear when things were getting a bit dangerous.

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Alfred Lord Tennyson to write "The Charge of the Light Brigade." The day before Tennyson, as Fort Laureate, had just received his yearly barrel of sack. That night Gubbins and Tennyson tapped the barrel and went on a whole of a tender. The next morning the Queen sent a message to say she wanted some heroic stuff written about a shocking blunder in the Crimea. She wanted it quickly, too, because anything that would make a defeat look like a victory was essential to soothe the anger of the mob.

Tennyson had a paralysing hangover. So had Gubbins. But together, groaning at the desk, they turned out what is now recognised as the worst poem written in the English language.

Gubbins could tell you a lot more about his long life, his violent arguments with Gladstone, the passes he made at Mrs Siddons and Lily Langtry, but it would be nothing compared to what he is going to tell people in the golden year of 1980.

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"Now all the youth of England is on fire." Although hardly a youth, old Tom was certainly on fire, but not about the Armada. At the age of 105, and while warning seacons blazed across the face of England, he was on fire about a girl called Katherine Milton, who became the mother of his child.

He did public penance for his sin, married again, at the age of 122, and, untrodden by bad news, might have lived almost for ever if some interfering fool had not carried him off at the age of 152 to be exhibited before Charles I. in London.

There, choked by city smells, worried by sensation mongers, and fed on rich food, he died with all his organs healthy, according to a report of a post-mortem carried out by Dr Harvey, who discovered the circulation of the blood.

Letter From A Bird

FROM the correspondence column of The Animal's (and Bird's) Newspaper, edited by N. Gubbins, Esq.

Sir, Mr. attention has been drawn to the published details of a film made of the private lives of woodpeckers by a Mr. Helaz Slieman.

Mr Slieman appears to have taken a great deal of trouble over his work. He cut away a quarter of a trunk of a tree where the woodpeckers had made their home. When artificial lighting had been introduced into the nest a special camera was placed in position and camouflaged. After two years' camera snooping Mr Slieman produced a film lasting 20 minutes, which will be shown to the public.

Writing on behalf of all birds, may I ask if this practice is likely to grow, and what useful purpose can it serve except to pander to idle curiosity?

No doubt Mr Slieman will say that it has been done in the interests of scientific research, but if this is so there is a case for snooping not only on the private lives of all animals and birds but on the private lives of men and women by those interested in human behaviour.

For instance, what is there to prevent an enthusiastic mass observer posing as a gas inspector and rigging a camouflaged, automatically recording camera in some little suburban home? He would call a month or two later to collect his camera and, as nobody has a camera in his own face, might later show to the public a film depicting embarrassing details of the private lives of, let us say, Mr and Mrs Smith.

Just as we shall now have an opportunity of seeing Mr and Mrs Woodpecker at their morning and evening toilet, or eating their meals, so we might see Mr Smith cleaning his teeth and Mrs Smith improving the curves of her figure with artificial aids. We might see Smith, eating peas with his knife and Mrs Smith drinking tea from a saucer. We might even see Miss Smith being petted by the boy friend on a sofa in the front parlour.

If a film like this were ever shown there would be questions in Parliament and in the newspapers. Indignant leading articles would be written about the sacred rights of privacy with reminders that an Englishman's home is his castle.

In all fairness may I plead that a bird also has a right to privacy—and that a woodpecker's nest is his castle?

As the film took two years to make many unfortunate incidents must have been recorded. Is it too much to hope that, as it is now only 20 minutes long, much that should not be seen by prying eyes has been deleted?

I remain, Sir, Yours faithfully, A. Bird.

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by Barry Appleby

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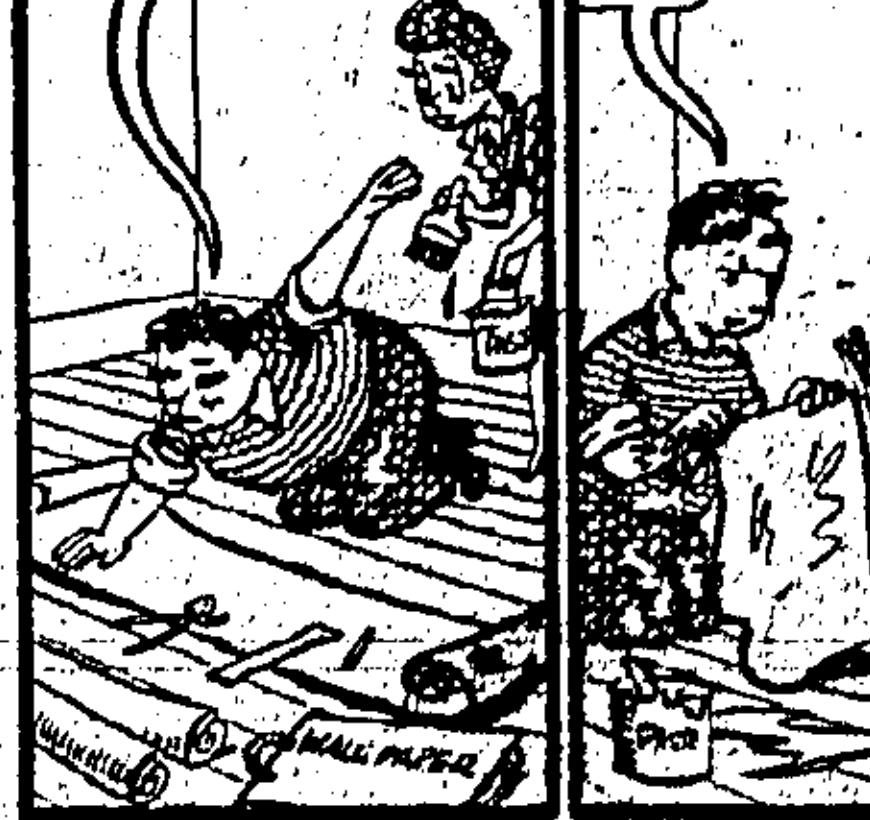
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CYCLING NOTES

Charlie Ayson's Going Leaves A Gap That Will Be Hard To Fill

By "N'TACA"

Our Personality of this week is no longer with us, having at last managed to hop a boat for Home and Civilian life.

Charlie Ayson, (the nickname derived from "Charcoal" in respect for his dusky skin), was one of the more prominent members of the REME team, showing up well in both the Time Trial and Massed Start events, and his going left a gap that will be very hard to fill. He was the Team rider par excellence, with the rare ability to subjugate his desires for individual glory to the benefit of his Team-mates.

An experienced Massed Start rider, he was easy to work with, knew exactly how and when to make his efforts and was perhaps the best in the Colony on corners and fast descents.

Joining the Southwark CC in 1949, he immediately plunged into racing, taking part in every event he could. From Track to Cyclo-Cross, and in 1953 took third place behind Basil Reeves in the London Centre Cyclo-Cross Championship. His entry into Colony cycling came with the Novices Competition of last summer when he quickly showed his ability at the bunched side of the game.

At the commencement of the season proper, he rode for the REME Team which included such stalwarts as Ryalene and Hurford, putting up some first-class performances. One of his unrealised ambitions in the Colony was the Twisk Hill Climb record, his best time being only eighteen seconds outside the time put up by Butts. Time Trial performances of a 1-3 for the "25" and 2-12 for "50" gave an indication of his all-round capabilities.

PEDALLING HABITS
Charlie was of the Wilkinson class in his position and pedalling habits, seldom using more than a 77 gear in any race, while his training consisted mainly of three runs a week at a fair pace, covering about 60 miles each, out on a 71 inch fixed gear. In line with most of our Pedalists, to date, he was a believer in fresh fruit and milk as aids to the Service diet.

A likeable personality and a willingness to help made him a very popular rider with members of all clubs, and his departure was regretted by everyone. Still, we can all wish him well and hope that he achieves his ambitions at home, which include wins in the Isle of Man and Isle of Wight Races. We know he has the ability, let us hope he has the good fortune, as well.

The postponement of the NTACA 100 Miles Championship from Sunday to the following Wednesday, gave an opportunity for the Pegasus CC to run a friendly "25." Winner was Paddy Bouch, with a good 1-1-30, his team-mate Roll filling second berth in 1-5-57. Beck, of the promoting club, suffered mechanical trouble and retired. Perhaps the two most noteworthy performances were the improvement to a 1-7 by Biggs, the Essex rider, and a 1-10 for his first race by a new REME boy, Lunn. Prominent non-finishers were Jones and Griffiths, both of the Hussars.

GROUNDWORK

Groundwork for the forthcoming Massed Start race against the Singapore boys goes on apace, and most of the preliminary details have been settled. The prize list is a long one, with awards for the first three individuals and for the first three teams. While we are still awaiting confirmation from Singapore, it is almost a certainty that they will send at least one team, possibly two, while the Portuguese Army at Macao will probably enter a full team of six. Attempts are being made to have a recording made of the race, so even if you cannot get up to the race itself, you will be able to experience some of its thrills.

Many and varied are the opinions on the most outstanding of Colony records, the three in the leading positions being the 50-24 "25" of Ryalene; the 2-21 NT Road Circuit of Gower; and the 4-24 "100" by Beck.

It is a hard thing to decide on the comparative merits of records at different distances and over dissimilar courses, but in my opinion, the New Territories Road Circuit should get the palm. The circuit itself includes every type of road with its steep and long hills and its fast stretches. To set up a good time around the route, without the stimulation of competition, calls for complete all-round cycling ability and a fighting heart.

It can be fairly well foreseen that the NT Circuit will come in for a lot of attention from the Record-breaking fraternity during the next few months.

In view of the great number of miles covered by cyclists during the summer months, the low incidence of our old enemy, Heat Exhaustion, speaks volumes for the fitness and common-sense of the riders. In fact, I can recall only one case where a cyclist was a victim, and that was in training, not racing. To all newcomers to Colony cycling, we would like to issue

a warning. Take plenty of Salt. Not merely the usual supply on your food, but additional quantities. Salt Tablets are issued and should be used in the drinks you carry.

I have found a good method is to dissolve a teaspoonful of common table salt, or two tablets, in a glass of ordinary "Fizzy" lemonade. The salt takes out the fizz and leaves a pleasant drink. The addition of a dessert-spoonful of Glucose Powder will make a very satisfying drink, meeting both Salt and Energy demands. DO NOT take ice-cold drinks while you are hot. If you do, you can rely on an attack of tummy cramp after a few miles.

HERCULES TEAMS

There is more good news of the Hercules Team in their expedition to the Continent. Brian Robinson, after winning enough points to take the Hill Climbing award, was away by himself, when he had the misfortune to crash in thick fog. In spite of this, he still managed to get tenth place, a not bad result. While Fred Krebs beat some of the real top-liners to take fourth place in the sprint.

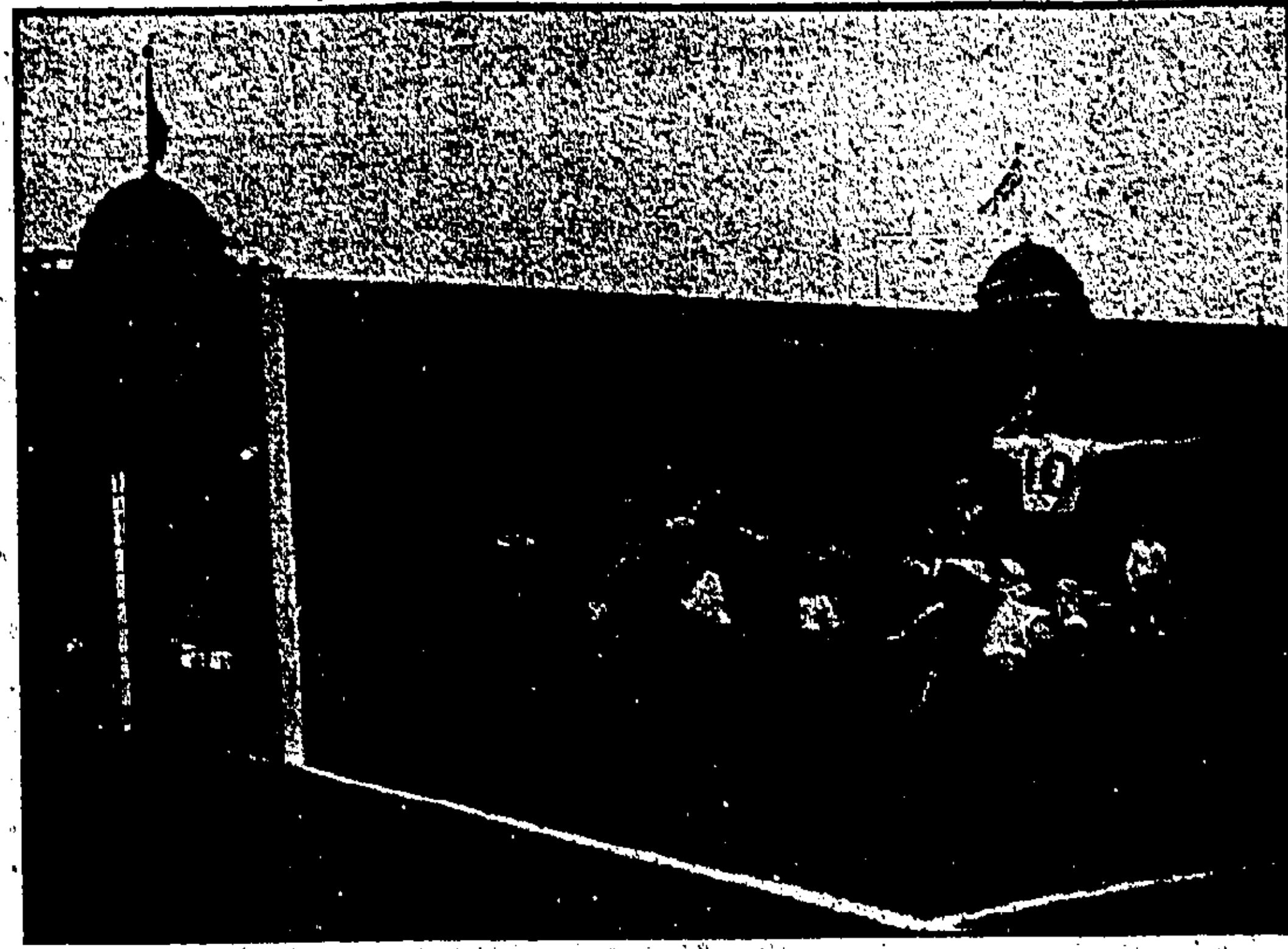
At first regarded as a publicity stunt, the Hercules invasion is now recognised as a genuine threat to the long-lived supremacy of Continental riders, and the sporting papers of Italy and France are full of their fine showings so far.

Meanwhile, the breach between the NCU, RTCC and the BLRC is now nearer a solution than it was this time last year. The politics involved are difficult to follow, and it does not do to speak too much without a complete knowledge of the facts, but it would appear to us outside the argument that bitter personal feelings are being allowed to interfere with the formation of a new, all-embracing body which would be recognised by the International Federation. Surely it is not beyond the capacity of the elected leaders of the game to seek personal matters and strive to do their best for sake of the Game as a whole?

It has been done in Scotland and works successfully. BLRC and NCU riders settle down to racing with one another in the Services. Could it possibly be the fear of losing their positions of authority which prevented the officials responsible from agreeing? If so, it is a poor look-out for the Sport.

Probably the most-prized record in the entire Cycling World is the "Unpaced Hour," at present in the keeping of the Campione, Fausto Coppi, with 28 miles 895 yards. Latest holder was the "Tour de France"—World Championship Double winner Bobet, who retired at the half-way mark when a lap down on Coppi's time. Now coming up is the Question of the week. Should we have an "Unpaced Hour" in Hong Kong? Admittedly, our available tracks are not the equivalent of the Vigorelli, but all attempts would be over the same route. What do YOU think?

PILING ON THE AGONY



England's inside-left Whshaw (No. 10) heads his team's fifth goal, from a corner taken by Stanley Matthews, on extreme left of picture, as Scots goalie Martin dashes back, too late. England went on to win the international soccer match at Wembley by 7 goals to 2.—Reuterphoto.

Saturday's Home Soccer Fixtures

The following are the Home Football League fixtures for Saturday, April 16:

First Division	
Aston Villa	v. Sheffield U.
Blackpool	v. Cardiff
Bolton	v. Everton
Charlton	v. Manchester C.
Huddersfield	v. Newcastle
Manchester U.	v. West Brom.
Portsmouth	v. Chelsea
Sheff. Wed.	v. Leicester
Sunderland	v. Preston N.E.
Tottenham	v. Barnsley
Wolves	v. Arsenal

Second Division	
Blackburn	v. Luton T.
Derby	v. Notts F.
Doncaster	v. Stockp.
Fulham	v. Millwall
Liverpool	v. Nott'm U.
Nottingham	v. Burnley
Plymouth	v. Ipswich
Port Vale	v. Shrewsbury
Swansea	v. Lincoln C.
West Ham	v. Rotherham

Division III (South)	
Aldershot	v. Millwall
Bournemouth	v. Torquay
Colchester	v. Reading
Crystal P.	v. Coventry
Exeter	v. Shrewsbury
Newport	v. Walsall
Northampton	v. Brentford
Norwich	v. Reading
Southend	v. Bristol C.
Stoke	v. Leyton U.
Sunderland	v. Lincoln C.
Walsley	v. Brighton

Division III (North)	
Bradford	v. York C.
Carlisle U.	v. Bradford C.
Colchester	v. Torquay
Crawley	v. Scunthorpe
Crests Alex.	v. Burnley
Grimsby	v. Wrexham
Gillingham	v. Accrington
Hull City	v. Halifax
Leeds U.	v. Southampton
Sheff. Wed.	v. Wokingham
Stockport	v. Exeter
Tranmere	v. Darwen

SCOTTISH LEAGUE	
Division I	
Dundee U.	v. Arbroath
Forfar	v. Cowdenbeath
Queen's Park	v. Brechin C.

Almost Sheer Boredom At Badminton Championships

By "TOUCHWOOD"

Badminton spectators at Club de Recreio last night watching the Colony Junior Championships must have been wondering to themselves whether they were really at a tournament or at the Easter Race Meeting at the Valley.

Four of the six ties scheduled for play were completed by 9.30 p.m. and with two remaining ties left, to spectators it was a long, long wait.

It is most unfair to competitors, officials and spectators alike to have to wait for over an hour and then to hear from the tournament officials that they had decided to award walkovers as the players concerned failed to turn up for their match.

All this unnecessary waiting could have been avoided had competitors turned up at least 15 minutes before their game.

Last night's matches turned out to be another disappointment as far as good badminton was concerned. With the exception of the Yong Kuen-Chung - A. C. Delgado encounter the other matches were too unbalanced to provide an evening's entertainment.

Yong beat Delgado after a stern struggle, winning at 15-9, 15-6. New Method's George Ma proved far too superior for Pat Gardner who lost in next to no time at 15-1, 15-3.

In the mixed doubles, M. Kan and Mary Wong breezed through a 15-4, 15-3 victory over Brian Douglass and Mrs. S. McCall to enter the quarter-final.

Stand Of 242 By Walcott And Weekes In Second Test

Port of Spain, Trinidad, Apr. 12.

A big stand of 242 for the third wicket between Clyde Walcott and Everton Weekes enabled the West Indies to total 355 for the loss of five wickets before rain and bad light stopped play half an hour before "stumps" here today, second day of the Second Test against Australia.

The Australian attack was hammered by the famous "W" partnership and by lunch time they had really tamed the bowling, which threatened yesterday to blast the batting to pieces, when the West Indies opening batsmen were dismissed for 40 runs.

It was then that Weekes and Walcott came together and, having added 33 before rain caused an early end to the opening day's play, they resumed in humid heat this morning. One ten-minute stoppage for rain restricted the pre-knockout to 30 minutes, but Walcott and Weekes put on 96 runs in that time. They looked like going right through the afternoon as well but 20 minutes before tea Australia struck blows through their leg spinner, Richie Benaud.

With the first and third balls of his seventh over he got rid of Weekes (139) and Collier-Smith (0) so that the scoreboard at tea showed 302/4 compared with 282/2 twenty minutes earlier.

Soon after tea Benaud dismissed Walcott, stumped by Langley, to put half the side out for 323. Benaud then had figures of seven, two, nineteen, three for the spell. Figures also best tell of the way Weekes and Walcott battered the bowling: Weekes hit 138 in 215 minutes, including a six and 24 fours.

ZATOPEK BEATEN

Paris, Apr. 12.

Czechoslovakia's young athlete Ullsberger defeated Emil Zatopek, the long-distance champion over a 7,500-metre long cross country at Czech-Budweis, Bohemia, last Sunday, the Czech news agency reported today.

Ullsberger covered the distance in cold weather against 49 starters in 22 min. 22.4 sec. with Zatopek second in 22 min. 33.8 sec.—France-Press.

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International Hockey Series

The following are the fixtures of the Hockey International series:

Ladies' International (Semi-Final): Friday, April 15—5.30 p.m. at Happy Valley, Scotland v. England. Umpires: J. B. Gonsalves, C. Crebas.

Saturday—April 16—5.30 p.m. at Kings Park, Portugal v. Commonwealth. Umpires: "U.S. Dillon, Krishn Lal.

Men's International (Semi-Final): Tuesday, April 19—5.30 p.m. at Kings Park, Ireland v. England. Umpires: P. F. Xavier, J. B. Gonsalves.

Wednesday—April 20—5.30 p.m. at Recreio, Portugal v. Pakistan. Umpires: Lt. Herberts, C. Crebas.

Umpires are requested to turn up for the above important games and if they are unable to do so, they are requested to contact Z. A. Abbas at Tel. No. 26667.

LEAGUE FIXTURES

The following are the hockey League fixtures for this Sunday and the following week:

SUNDAY
1st Division
Recreio "B" v. R.N. "A" at Recreio Ground 3.30 p.m. (Lt. Roza & Krishn Lal).
2nd Division
Army "C" v. Sookunpota "A" at Sookunpota 3.30 p.m. (G. T. Palmer & Sgt. Moore).
3rd Division
Nav Bharat "B" v. Knights at Sookunpota 3.30 p.m. (G. S. Grewal & Sgt. Davvill).
HKAAB v. Army "C" at Kai Tak 3.30 p.m. (F/Sgt. Coxon & Sgt. Davvill).
K.I.T.C. v. Nav Bharat "B" at Kings Park 11 a.m. (J. B. Gonsalves & Lt. Roza).

PORTUGAL'S TEAM

The Men's Hockey International match between Portugal and Pakistan scheduled for April 19, will now be played at Recreio on April 20 commencing at 5.30 p.m.
The following have been selected to represent Portugal on that day: F. Soares, A. L. Nery (capt), J. A. Soares, D. Castro, W. A. Reed, P. A. Yvanovich, M. Nunes, R. Col-lao, A. A. Remedios Jara, C. A. Gutierrez, L. Gutierrez, Reserves: Gus Rozario, J. B. Gonsalves, E. Xavier, H. J. Xavier.

HOME RUGGER

London, Apr. 12.

Rugby Results today were:

RUGBY LEAGUE

Bramley	22	Castletford	12
Dewsbury	8	Wakefield	21
Featherstone	20	Huddersfield	19
Keighley	23	Batley	18

RUGBY UNION

Exeter	6	Northampton	31
Newport	14	Barbarians	14
Pontypool	6	London W.	6

Wolves Lose Vital Points

London, Apr. 12.

Chelsea's chances of winning the English League Football championship for the first time in their history were improved today by the defeat of their nearest rivals, Wolverhampton Wanderers, the holders of the Trophy.

In going down 4-2 at Aston Villa, Wolverhampton lost the advantage of a game they had in hand of Chelsea and still remain five points behind. Chelsea with three more matches to play have 49 points from 39 games and Wolves 44 from 38.

Third placed Portsmouth now appear to have the best chance, slim though it is, of overthrowing the leaders. Though six points behind, they have two games in hand.

Wolverhampton have won only one of their last seven league games and are but a shadow of the fine team which beat the crack Continental sides, Spartak and Honved, earlier in the season.

Today, Villa adapted themselves much better to the conditions and fully deserved their

victory which included a hat-trick by inside forward Tommy Thompson.

In the other First Division game, Huddersfield eased their relegation problems by defeating Tottenham 1-0. The win took Huddersfield from third to eighth in the bottom. In the other Third Division North when they beat Bradford City 2-0. Barnsley have the same number of points as Accrington but have a better goal average and two games in hand.—Reuter.

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'Pill Merchants' Abroad On Australian Roads

Melbourne, Apr. 12.

Tired drivers, doped with benzedrine, and eager to make money quickly are racing unsafe lorries (trucks) along Australia's highways.

These "pill merchants" as regular inter-state transport drivers call them, are the latest feature of Australia's road transport boom.

A decision of the Privy Council, the highest Court of the British Commonwealth, started the boom. The Law Lords ruled that State Government efforts to impose restraints on inter-state transport were against the letter of the Australian constitution.

SECTION 92

The constitution, in the controversial Section 92, guarantees free trade between States. The Privy Council decided that the effect of the State Government licensing rules was to restrain trade.

The State Governments had sought to regulate inter-state transport to prevent competition for the Government-owned railways, which are already losing money, and imposed a rigid system of expensive licences and weight checks to keep road transport down.

But the Privy Council, in a judgment last year which surprised State Governments, declared all these controls void. Within a week, hundreds of extra lorries were out on the roads as inter-state shippers rushed to get their cargo carried by the cheaper and more efficient road transport.

In addition to the legitimate inter-state transport firms, many "fly-by-night" lorry owners rushed their vehicles on to the road to make their profit in the new boom. Many of these men, owner-drivers, had lorries which, in the words of one newspaper correspondent, "gave me the shudders."

Describing how these "fly-by-nighters" had to overload and remorselessly keep going, so that they could make money, this correspondent added: "I've seen lorries come dark-jawed and glinting-eyed into roadside eating houses."

"I've heard other drivers say: 'He's a pill merchant. Six quid a ton, he's trucking for and you ought to see his bomb, its falling apart.'"

"Six quid—£6—a ton was the rate some drivers were offering for loads between Sydney and Melbourne. Recognised hauliers, using drivers for reasonable periods at the wheel and making sure that their lorries were safe and not overloaded, were charging £11 a ton.

SPILLS DANGER

The great increase in heavy road traffic spells dangers for other road-users, Australian experts say.

An international authority, Sir Donald Greener, of the International Roads Federation agrees with them. During his recent visit to Australia, he toured thousands of miles of main highways and said that most of the main inter-state routes were too narrow.

He suggested that Australia needed four-lane highways between the capitals to cater for the great amount of long distance traffic.

Sir Donald advised that road users, including the transport firms, should join with the Governments concerned to formulate a 10-year plan to re-organise the main roads to accommodate the increase in traffic.

One reason why road transport firms in Australia can offer such keen competition to railways is the change of gauge which breaks many inter-state railway systems, including the heavily-used Sydney-Melbourne route.

TRANSHIP

This means that at the border town of Albury, railway trucks have to be unloaded and their cargoes re-loaded on other trucks for shipment on another railway system. Loading and unloading adds pounds to the cost of freight.

Railway officials also complain that the railways have heavy capital costs, while road users can run freely between States without having to pay anything for the roads they are using.

State railway chiefs have had several meetings on these problems and are expected to make freight reductions to bring railways into a better competitive position against road transport.

Individual State Governments are drafting laws to establish

some form of licensing, within the framework of the Privy Council decision, which would allow them to collect a payment from the transport firms for wear and tear on the roads.

Newspapers report that road transport firms agree that they should pay something for the use of the roads, although most say that they find the present State proposals unsatisfactory.

Another State move is to require all inter-state lorries to pay registration fees in all the States in which they operate.

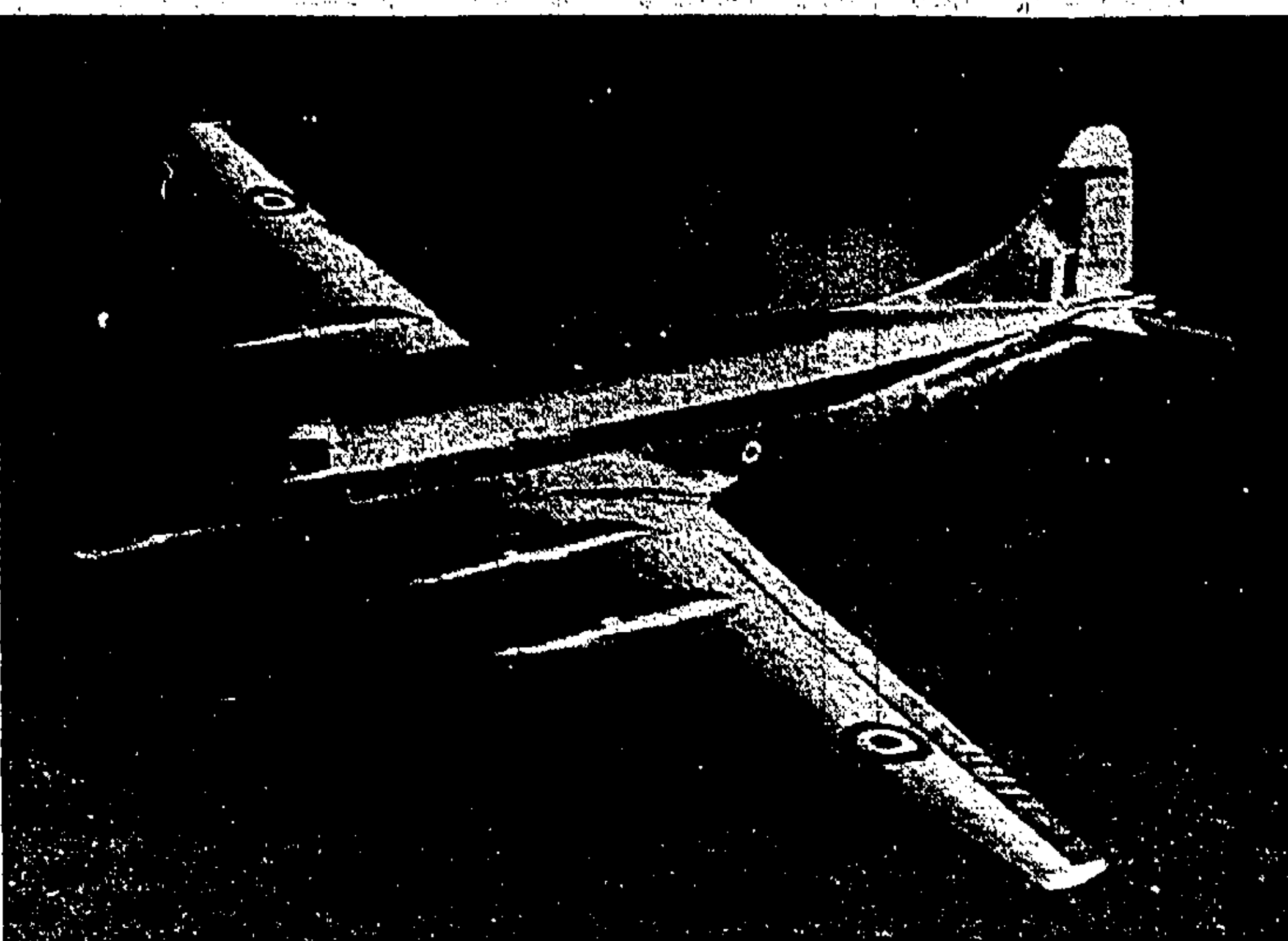
It is likely that the Australian High Court, and possibly the Privy Council again, will test some of these laws before their final form is settled. Impartial experts believe that the thriving inter-state road transport industry will eventually be as important to Australia as it is to the American economy. A healthy road transport industry, they argue, will provide the incentive badly needed here to improve the highway system.

INDUSTRIALISTS HAPPY

Perhaps the happiest people over the road transport boom are Australian industrialists, who need cheap, swift transport to move their goods and raw materials over the hundreds of miles separating Australian cities.

For them, healthy competition with freely competitive inter-state freight rates, is an unexpected blessing. — China Mail Special.

Latest Addition To Queen's Flight



Soldier Who Ran Amok Captured

Turin, Apr. 12.

A soldier who ran amok yesterday, killing two persons in a wild shooting spree in the village of Pontestura, was captured today by a Carabinieri sergeant and handed over to the police authorities.

He is now in gaol in the small town of Camino.

The soldier was still armed with the US-made Garand rifle with which he killed two persons and fatally wounded a third. The sergeant arrested him as he was waiting for a ferry boat to cross the Po River near Camino.

The soldier started running but came to a stop when the Carabinieri fired two pistol shots in the air. For some strange reason, the soldier did not use his rifle but held out his wrists to be handcuffed. — Reuter photo.

The latest addition to the Queen's Flight, the famous Royal Air Force unit responsible for Royal travel by air, is this executive version of the Heron Series 2, by de Havilland.

Equipped to carry six passengers and a crew of three, it will replace one of the Vickers Vikings of the Royal Flight at Benson in Oxfordshire. Radio equipment and navigation aids installed in this Heron are exceptionally comprehensive, and the aircraft is fitted with flashing navigation lights, Gravier fire warning and extinguishing equipment in all engine nacelles. Two five-seat dinghies are carried and comprehensive de-icing equipment is installed. Acrofoil leading edges are fitted with rubber overshoes working on the "pulsating boot" system, while the propellers and windscreen are provided with fluid de-icing. — Reuter photo.

PAKISTAN ORDERS V.I.P. VISCOUNT

Titanium Production Being Stepped Up In Great Britain

Vickers-Armstrongs announce that an order has been placed by the Pakistan Government, on behalf of His Excellency the Governor-General of Pakistan, for one Vickers Viscount airliner. This brings the total number of Viscounts ordered to 180.

The order is for a V.I.P. version of the Viscount—the second of its kind. The Government of India has already ordered a V.I.P. Viscount, to be operated by the Indian Air Force.

Accommodation in the Viscount for Pakistan will be provided in three separate saloons. The forward V.I.P. saloon, or rest-room, will be equipped with two divan beds, two facing chairs and side tables. A clock, telephone, call buttons and cooling fans will also be provided, as well as indicators for cabin altitude, aircraft altitude, and airspeed.

SEAT SIXTEEN

In the central V.I.P. saloon there will be four abreast seating for sixteen in four air-facing and twelve forward-facing chairs, with a pullman table between the first and second rows. This saloon will also have clock, telephone, call buttons and cooling fans and the same instruments as in the forward rest-room.

The rear saloon will comprise the servants' quarters, with six seats. Behind this will be a toilet, and a galley with a cooker and refrigerator. Forward of the rest-room will be another toilet and a wardrobe compartment.

An interesting feature of the V.I.P. Viscount for Pakistan, (Type number 734) as with the one for India, is that it will carry full navigational equipment, including a Kelvin and Hughes periscope drift sight, Rebecca Mark 4 periscope sextant, air position indicator,

elapsed time clock, radio compass and compass repeater.

British European Airways will probably carry its half-millionth Viscount passenger today. This figure is an indication of the immense popularity which the turbo-prop Vickers airliner has enjoyed with passengers since it first went into service. The result of its popularity, and of the passenger appeal of the Ambassador, showed in a B.E.A. load factor last year which was the highest in the airline's history at 68.1 per cent. Simultaneously B.E.A.'s costs dropped to the lowest figure since it started work, at 42.9 pence per capacity ton mile, 10 per cent less than in 1953.

On April 17, Viscounts will begin flying between London and Edinburgh putting the two city airports less than 100 minutes apart. Glasgow, Belfast, and Corset will also have new Viscount services this summer. New Rolls-Royce Dart 106 engines are replacing an earlier model, increasing cruising speed by 19 m.p.h. to 320 m.p.h. and its maximum take-off weight by 3,000 lb to 60,000 lb.

In 1955 and 1956 more than one-third of all the large twin- and four-engine transport aircraft in the world will be British. They will be a fleet of about 50 Viscounts, out of 60 ordered for Capital Airlines.

TITANIUM PRODUCTION

British plans for the production of titanium, the metal which bids fair to revolutionise aeronautical design because of its great strength and low weight, will be ready for full-scale operation in July this year.

The plant has been specially built by the General Chemicals and Metal Divisions of Imperial Chemical Industries Ltd., to handle up to 1,500 tons of raw titanium annually.

Titanium is one of the most abundant metals found in the earth's crust, where it is available as titanium oxide. For example, it is 50 times more common than copper. It was first recognised as a metal 165 years ago by an English clergyman, The Reverend William Gregor.

Supplies did not become available commercially until 1952, when it first became possible to establish manufacturing techniques. The great interest shown by designers in the metal since then is based on its above properties.

Titanium is roughly equal to stainless steel in strength, although it weighs little more than half as much. For many purposes it resists corrosion even better, and this is particularly important in the design of high speed aircraft.

Because it is a relatively new metal, techniques for processing it have not yet been perfected, and the many difficulties involved make it expensive. But if a modern fighter is designed from the outset making full use of the metal, savings of up to 1,500 lb in the total structure weight may be achieved.

At speeds of more than 1,000 m.p.h., when the heating problems on an aircraft's skin become acute due to friction with the air, the high upper temperature limit—500°C—of the new metal means that it will be widely used. Some of its applications, to name only a few, are for gas turbine compressor blades, engine cowings, exhausts, wing leading edges, and fire walls. As aircraft flying in the supersonic speed range are built in ever increasing numbers, so the demand for titanium will rise. Manufacturing costs will be reduced as production increases, and present techniques are improved.

COMPETITION

Advertising stunts are always interesting, particularly if there is money to be won. TWA have thought up a rather novel contest which they have labelled "Cosmic Contest". There are two sections, one to be won now and the other in 1955. The first part requires 30 words or less to be added to "Flying is the way to travel, and TWA is the way to fly because..." "Prizes range from US\$30,000 to US\$250. The 1955 part of the stunt (also worth US\$50,000), is a peep into the future. TWA want to know in 200 words what air travel will be like 20 years from now.

MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis



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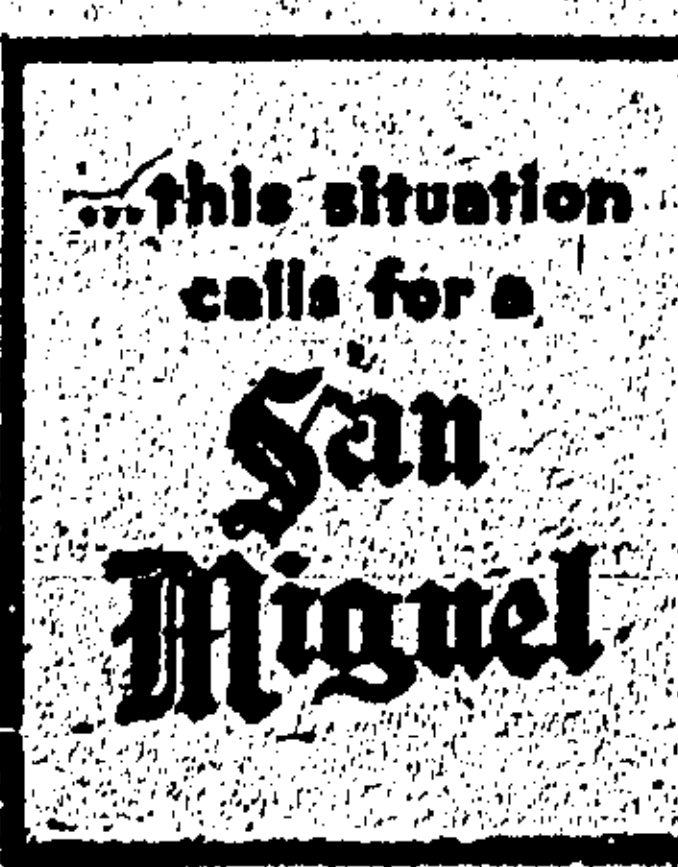
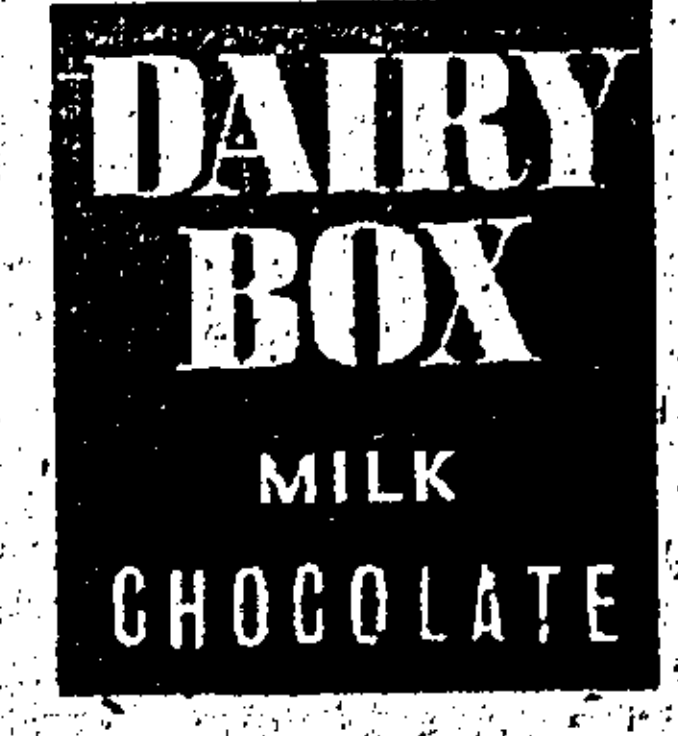
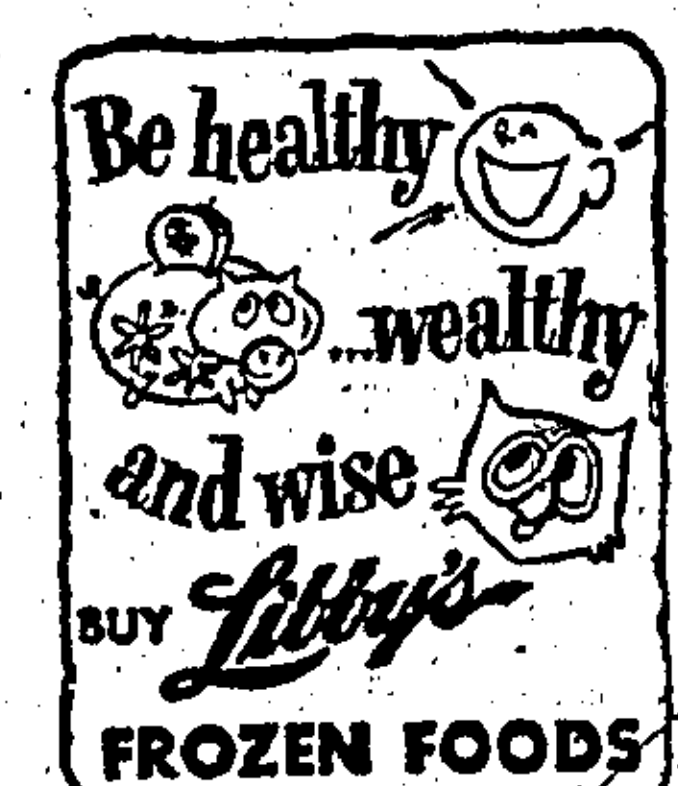
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6m INDIANS MAY BE BETTER OFF

Geneva, Apr. 12. Five United Nations specialised agencies are joining with three South American Governments to bring a better life to more than 6,000,000 Indians living in the high altitude of the great Andes mountain chain.

The governments concerned are those of Bolivia, Ecuador and Peru. The United Nations Agencies working with them are the International Labour Organisation (ILO), the World Health Organisation (WHO), the Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO), the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organisation (UNESCO) and the United Nations Technical Assistance Administration (UNTAU).

PRECARIOUS LIVING

The story of the work of these agencies in the Andes is a story of how 6,000,000 Andean Indians, living in the rarefied atmosphere of the high altitudes of the mighty mountain chain and who for centuries have scratched a precarious living from the barren soil, and now being given health, nutrition, housing, and education facilities as well as working and social standards which will finally integrate them in the social and economic life of their countries.

Nor have the problems faced by the United Nations team of experts been confined to those already listed. The experts have to contend with ignorance, poor health, deep-rooted superstitions, and ingrained customs of centuries. For example, in one area the World Health Organisation team found the superstition that if a pregnant woman faced a flash of lightning, her child would be born with a hair lip.

DIZZINESS

When they arrived in the upper altitude of the Andes, they found that the reduced oxygen brought on dizziness and digestive disturbances. Although the sun was hot in daytime, the cold at night or in the shade was intense and often accompanied by high winds. During the early days, the party had to retreat down to the lowlands from time to time to recuperate.

To raise the standard of living of the population, two solutions were open. The first was to set up rural rehabilitation centres on the high plateau themselves. The second was to bring down the surplus population of the high plateau to the fertile and sparsely populated valleys.

NUMBER OF FURROWS

The sub-division of holdings in some parts of Peru has reached such proportions that land is now measured in the number of furrows to be left to a son or grandson. An expert of the International Labour Organisation writes in a report: "The land thus fragmented no longer fulfils its economic and social function. It has become merely a source of embittered boundary disputes."

The work of the five United Nations agencies is divided mainly into four projects. These are the high Plateaux Project of Philip, Bolivia, headed by William H. Dillingham, a manpower expert of the International Labour Organisation from Washington, D. C.; the combined Cochabamba Valley-Santa Cruz Project in Bolivia, headed by Alejandro Gassendi, an expert of the Food and Agriculture Organisation from Costa Rica; the Tambopata Valley-Puno Plateaux Project in Peru, headed by Emilio Tejeda, an expert of the Food and Agriculture Organisation from Ecuador, which is headed by Jan Schreuder, a handicrafts specialist of the International Labour Organisation from the Netherlands.

The Regional Director of the Andean Indian Programme is Enrique Sanchez de Lozada, an expert of the International Labour Organisation, from Bolivia, who conducts the necessary negotiations with the local governments and co-ordinates the programme from offices in Lima, Peru—China Mail Special.

NEW YORK STOCK MARKET

New High Reached

New York, Apr. 12. Stocks soared to new highs today on top quality rail and industrial leadership.

The industrial and rail groups each rose more than 2 points on average—industrials to a new all-time peak and rails to their best level since March 29, 1930.

Demand, moderate but selective, through most of the session, highlighted the upward movement of the close, lifting prices to the day's best levels. The late activity centred on rails—New York Central and Pennsylvania in particular.

SHADED LATER

Sales, which had trailed yesterday up until 2 p.m., increased to 2,770,000 shares, best of the month compared with 2,580,000 yesterday. Early demand centred in stocks of the drug companies working with the Salk polio vaccine as the experiment was pronounced "safe, effective and potent." Early gains ranged from a point to 3 points in Parke Davis, Merck, American Home Products, and others.

These were shaded later, however, when the Health, Education, and Welfare Department postponed plans to license the sale of the vaccine today in order to give experts more time to study the report. American Home held 2 1/2 points of its rise, but Merck moved off nearly a point and Parke Davis 3/4 point. The last two were among the day's most active issues.

On the other hand, aircraft shares strengthened near the close as news came of a proposed investigation into the industry's profits from Government contracts.

YESTERDAY'S PRICES

Alden Inc. Acy.	\$ 20
Allied Chemicals	100 1/4
Armco Steel	8 1/2
American Airlines	2 1/2
American Metal	5 1/2
American Printing	2 1/2
American Tel. & Tel.	180 1/4
American Tobacco "B"	2 1/2
Anacostia Paper	6 1/2
Armstrong Steel	4 1/2
Armour	4 1/2
Armstrong-Lima-Hamilton	4 1/2
Baltimore & Ohio	4 1/2
Bendix Aviation Corp.	4 1/2
Berkeley	1 1/2
Best Western Steel	1 1/2
Boeing Airplane	1 1/2
Canadian Pacific Railway	1 1/2
Case (J. I.) Co.	1 1/2
Chrysler Motors	1 1/2
Commercial Credit	1 1/2
Commonwealth Elec.	1 1/2
Consolidated Edison	1 1/2
Continental Steel	1 1/2
Corn Products	1 1/2
Crane Co.	1 1/2
Cuban American Sugar	1 1/2
Curtis Wright	1 1/2
Dupont de Nemours	1 1/2
Eastman Kodak	1 1/2
General Electric	1 1/2
General Foods	1 1/2
Goodrich (B. F.) Co.	1 1/2
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	1 1/2
Hormel Foods	1 1/2
International Business Machines	1 1/2
International Harvester	1 1/2
International Nickel	1 1/2
International Paper	1 1/2
International Tel. & Tel.	1 1/2
John-Manville Co.	1 1/2
Kennecott Copper	1 1/2
Lockheed Aircraft	1 1/2
Lowry Inc.	1 1/2
Lone Star Cement Co.	1 1/2
Minerals	1 1/2
Montgomery Ward	1 1/2
National Cash Register "A"	1 1/2
National Lead	1 1/2
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New York Central	1 1/2
Pacific Gas & Electric	1 1/2
Pan American Airways	1 1/2
Paramount Pictures	1 1/2
Phillips Petroleum	1 1/2
Pittsburgh Plate Glass	1 1/2
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Reo Motors	1 1/2
Republic Steel	1 1/2
Shell Oil Co.	1 1/2
Singapore Oil	1 1/2
Socony Vacuum	1 1/2
Southern Railway (Com.)	1 1/2
Standard Oil of Indiana	1 1/2
Standard Oil of California	1 1/2
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Standard Oil of New Jersey	1 1/2
Studebaker Van Camp	1 1/2
Studebaker-Packard Corp.	1 1/2
Swift & Co.	1 1/2
Union Carbide	1 1/2
Union Pacific Railway	1 1/2
United States Corp.	1 1/2
U.S. Gypsum	1 1/2
U.S. Linc. Co.	1 1/2
United States Steel	1 1/2
United States Smelting	1 1/2
U.S. Steel	1 1/2
Warner Bros.	1 1/2
Woolworth	1 1/2

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